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A BREAKDOWN.

COAL CONFERENCE DISPELS HOPES.

Both Sides Stubborn.

IMPORTANT MOVE BY NOTTS MINERS.

The coal conference has broken down, both the owners and the miners adhering to their previous positions.

In Notts the miners have accepted the owners' terms for 7½ hours at the old wages. The Derbyshire and other Notts owners have decided to open the pits on the same terms.

JOINT MEETING.

London, Aug. 19.

The conference between the miners and the coal owners—the first for two months—was held at the offices of the Mining Association in London.

Industrial quarters beforehand were mildly optimistic. They drew encouragement from the fact that the Federation had decided to approach the owners direct.

The officials of the Federation had previously conferred with the Trades Unions Congress Committee on the subject of further financial assistance for the miners. The conference lasted an hour and a half. It is understood that both sides adhered to their old positions, the coal owners insisting on the eight-hours' day, and the settlement of wages according to the "economic position of the industry," and district agreements: the miners insisting on a seven-hours' day and a national agreement, refusing to budge on the question of wages until they had definite guarantees regarding the reorganisation of the industry.—Reuter

Broke Down.

London, later.

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Separate Statements.

London, later.

Statements from the Mining Association and the Miners' Federation, respectively, were issued this evening.

The former says that it appeared from Mr. Herbert Smith's reply to an invitation to indicate the miners' wishes that the miners' position on fundamental issues is unchanged. Therefore no purpose can be served by carrying on the appearance of negotiation which has no real basis.

Miners' Case.

The miners' statement says that Mr. Herbert Smith explained that an extension of hours was unnecessary for the successful operation of the industry. A national agreement on the wages question was regarded by the miners as essential. The Federation was prepared, after consideration of the measures for the reorganisation of the industry, to consider what wages was possible. He intimated that consideration of these things might lead to an application to the Government for some assistance pending the completion of the schemes of reorganisation.

Owners' Policy.

The Federation's statement adds that Mr. Evan Williams, for the coal owners, made it clear that it was useless to proceed, intimating their intention to take full advantage of the Eight-Hours' Act recently passed and insisting on district wages agreements.

The Federation's statement concludes:—

"The coal owners clearly consider themselves the victors. They have learned nothing and forgotten nothing during the stoppage. We have no alternative except to urge on the members of the Federation the necessity of stiffening their resistance to terms which mean abject poverty to our people and a scandalous lowering of the standard of living for at least a generation. We again appeal to the public for continued support of the miners, and their wives and children, as it is now again clear that the coal owners have no desire for a negotiated settlement but only the resumption of work on terms dictated by themselves.

No More Parleys.

Mr. A. J. Cook stated: "No further negotiations with the coal owners are possible. We have not asked the Government to meet us."—Reuter.

Further Details of Policies.

Rugby, Aug. 19.

No progress was made at the meeting to-day between the Miners' Executive and the Central Committee of the Mining Association, which represents the coal owners. It was the first time that the two parties to the coal dispute had met for two months, and after an hour and a half they separated without arranging for any further meeting.

Official statements were afterward issued by both sides.

The owners' statement recalls the men's request for the meeting and continues:—

"Mr. Evan Williams, President of the Mining Association, invited the workmen's side to indicate the points which they desired to put before the owners. It appeared from Mr. Smith's reply that the only definite announcement which he was in a position to make was that the Miners' Federation adhered to their demand for a national agreement, for no extension in hours of work, for a discussion on wages only after an inquiry into re-organisation, and for an approach to the Government for a subsidy. Mr. Williams, in reply, explained why, in the view of the owners, it was economically impracticable to resume work on the hours or wages conditions in operation before the stoppage or to make a national agreement which could meet the individual necessities of the different coal fields. He further made it clear that the owners remained as strongly opposed to a subsidy as they had always been. In view of the unchanged position of the workmen's representatives on those fundamental issues, it was clear that there was no purpose to be severed by carrying on the appearance of negotiations which had no real basis.

Men's Version.

According to the official statement of Miners' Association, Mr. Herbert Smith explained to the meeting that after 111 days of stoppage it was necessary to review situation to see how far an

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THE WEATHER.

LATEST TYPHOON NEWS AND FORECAST.

To-day's weather report gives the latest typhoon position thus:—

10.44 a.m.—Typhoon of unknown intensity within 60 miles of Lat. 19° N. Long. 110 E., moving N.W.

10.55 a.m.—Pressure has decreased slightly over S.W. China and increased slightly over Formosa and the Philippines. It is nearly stationary elsewhere.

The typhoon appears to be crossing Hainan in a N.W. direction. It may be filling up.

[Note: The position indicated in this warning is almost directly over Hainan Island, off the coast of Kwangtung. Instead of going North as indicated yesterday, the depression has moved towards the West. The locality is still outside the 300 miles radius.]

A cable warning received by the local American Consulate from Manila at 12.30 p.m. stated:—

Typhoon in about 110 Long. E., 19 Lat. N., moving N.W. Cyclone or typhoon E.S.E. of Naha, moving N.E. or E.N.E.

Till noon to-morrow the official forecast reads:—(Formosa Channel) Light, variable winds; (South coast between Hongkong and Lamocks and Hongkong to Gap Rock) East winds, moderate; fair to showery; (Between Hongkong and Hainan) North East winds, strong, moderating.

STRIKE WEEK.

CANTON MASS PARADE NEXT WEEK.

THEN "THE HAT."

A great demonstration parade of Canton strikers is promised for August 25, to be followed by a process of "passing round the hat" for funds.

This much is conveyed in a report from Canton.

The sponsors of the movement are stated to be members of the Kuomintang Party. Principally, the object of the demonstration is to encourage the strikers.

For six days afterward, a number of organisations (including also a proportion of the fair sex) will be permitted to canvass the city for donations.

Medals will be sold, together with door strips (of paper), each certifying that the possessor is patriotic and has subscribed a certain amount for keeping up the boycott of Hongkong. "Rates" of subscriptions have been fixed as follow:—For a medal, $5; door labels (big house) $1 and (small house) 40 cents.

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Another report states that the parade on August 25 is to celebrate the establishment of a Nationalist government in Hunan province.

HEAT WAVE.

CHAIR COOLIES DEMAND MORE MONEY.

FAT MAN'S DEATH.

How chair coolies who, by demanding a higher fare, indirectly caused the death of a fat man during the heat wave in Canton, is related in a vernacular report.

The victim lived near the North Gate and had to go daily to the West Bund. Asthma precluded from riding in a Hesha by his stoutness. Ordinarily he took a chair, and paid $1 for the journey. On Sunday the bearers wanted $2, pointing to his bulk and the oppressive heat. A bargain was not struck when the would-be passenger offered $1.60 and he decided to walk to his destination.

His death, a little later, is attributed to an epileptic fit.

From Fatshan city, it is gathered that the highest temperature (in the shade) on Sunday was 96 degrees. Rain fell during the night, and on Monday morning the thermometer dropped to 88.

CASTLE PEAK.

ROAD CLEARED FOR WEEK-END.

CAUTION REQUIRED.

After having been closed since the heavy rain-storm of July 19, the road to Castle Peak is to be re-opened from Saturday but care must be exercised as several portions are still under repair.—A notification to this effect appears in our advertisement columns to-day.

In addition to several wash-outs, the road was inaccessible by reason of embankments being washed away on either side of certain bridges. This has involved considerable work.

The round-the-territories road will therefore be completely open from Saturday.

WAR SPREADING?

MAN KUANS ASSISTING CANTON.

RISE IN FUKIEN.

Amoy, August 19.

Man Kuans have risen in Fukien province, against the local authorities and have captured several districts.

These are so-called "People's Army" of the south, who are now semi-irregulars occasionally breaking out as guerilla fighters and more often as bandits.

Border Defence Commissioner Chang is despatching troops to deal with the rising."—Kung Sheung Yat Po."

[Hints have been thrown out that Canton may threaten Fukien. The Man Kuans may possibly be taking advantage of the situation to rob and plunder, declaring themselves to be allies of Canton to gain support and prestige.]

HARBOUR SURVEY.

WHY IT SHOULD PRECEDE DREDGING.

"ENQUIRER" REPLIES.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—I was interested in the reply to my original letter on harbour silting, or rather in the Government view, as gathered on enquiry by one of your representatives. The records of tides and certain depths which he was informed had been taken since the issue of the Fitzmaurice report were not, as he was given to believe, part of the scheme of taking a general survey of the harbour, as recommended by Sir William. I have some knowledge of the subject and I assert that the only records taken were those in connection with works put in hand, records which would have to be taken as they were a vital part of such work.

Why have a survey at all? Why not get on with the dredging that requires to be done straight away? These are questions which rise to the mind of those unacquainted with this sort of work. But dredging done without proper data may—and probably would—be waste of time and money. A record on the lines advocated by the Fitzwilliam report would show where dredging would be attended by best results and might obviate the necessity of dredging certain places if the report showed it possible to direct certain currents to scour out such places by means of proper channelling and maintain them permanently clear without incurring further expense.

This might be possible in the case of the shoal off Kowloon Clock Tower and certain other places where silting has been in progress for a number of years. There are two shoals, however, which might be removed at once without any great difficulty by means of dredging and which need no harbour survey to indicate the way. These are the two off North Point—"Belcher's Ridge" and "Ramblers Shoal." The cost of removing these would be comparatively small and the operation could be performed within a week or so. At present they constitute a great danger to shipping as any one who observes the manoeuvres ships have to adopt in passing between them can well understand. It would be a comparatively simple operation to remove them and make the whole fairway navigable at this point.

At present, although the carrying of pilots is not compulsory by law it is practically imperative in the interests of ship-owners with vessels entering the harbour that they should engage pilots. Such a consideration makes all the difference sometimes as to whether shipping owners direct their vessels to enter Hongkong harbour or proceed past it on their voyage. If it is only a question of fuelling or replenishing water supplies, the cost of a pilot may—and often does—determine them in favour of omitting Hongkong whereas if entry of the harbour without a pilot was a safe procedure they would direct the ship to enter here and Hongkong would get the benefit of certain harbour dues which it has to do without in many cases at present.

It is in the immediate—and infinitely more in the future—interests of Hongkong that a survey and improvements to the harbour are put in hand at the earliest possible moment.

Yours, etc.,

ENQUIRER.

Hongkong, August 19.

WU PEI-FU.

RETURN TO HANKOW EXPECTED.

Shanghai, Aug. 19.

To-day or to-morrow, Marshal Wu Pei-fu is expected to leave for Paoting where he will stay four or five days.

Later he will return to Hankow to review the situation.

It is also stated that he will subsequently go back to Paoting, where he will establish his headquarters, leaving the southern war to be settled by Marshal Sun Chuan-fang.—Kung Sheung Yat Po.

ALLEGED MURDER.

VICTIM "CARRIED IN A BASKET."

CONDUCT QUESTIONED.

Questions were asked at the continuation of the Aberdeen alleged murder trial this morning as to the deceased woman having been taken from the house in a basket, whilst still alive, and afterwards sent back again.

A police constable who went to the scene in consequence of a report made at Aberdeen police station said that he searched for means to take the wounded woman to the police station and used the basket which he found in the street. Asked why he did not ring up the police station for an ambulance witness replied that there was no telephone. The reason for taking her to the police station was in order that her wounds might be dressed.

In reply to further questions, witness said that it was about 150 yards from the house in question to the police station. Just as the party carrying the woman got to the police station they met Inspector James who instructed them to take the woman back to the house. They did so.

Acting Sub-Inspector James, in charge of Aberdeen, gave evidence. When he met the party carrying the woman, he said, he felt the woman's pulse, looked for signs of breath, and finding none ordered her return to the house.

A Material Question.

Questioned by Mr. Hing-shing Lo, counsel for defence, as to why he ordered the woman to be taken back, witness replied that the question as to what position she was found in might have proved very material.

Inspector James also gave evidence of giving instructions to have the woman removed to the Government Civil Hospital and of finding in the room the chisel with which it is alleged that prisoner attacked his wife. Witness referred to the fact that there was a lot of blood about, on the walls, in the passage and underneath the bed.

Mr. Lo was questioning witness as to whether he could say by what "mysterious process" blood could have dripped in places other than the pool to which witness had referred earlier in his evidence, when His Lordship interrupted and said he did not think the Inspector could be expected to give theories regarding "mysterious processes."

Mr. Lo asked witness if he was not more expert on tracing these sort of things than for instance he (Mr. Lo) would be.

Witness: No more than the average police officer.

Husband's Conduct.

Two Chinese women, who lived in the same house, spoke of hearing the deceased woman cry out when examined yesterday afternoon at the Criminal Sessions hearing of a charge of murder brought against the husband. The prisoner disappeared, and a few minutes later the deceased woman was found in a state of collapse and bleeding profusely from a wound in her neck.

The first witness said that she heard the deceased woman cry out "save life." When she got to her, the prisoner was going down the stairs. "I followed him," she added, "because I was afraid he would run away." She asked him to return with her to help to stop the bleeding, but he refused to return.

Replying to defending Counsel, witness said that she distinctly heard the deceased woman use the words "save life." It was pointed out to her that other witnesses had said the woman shouted *aih yah*. She replied that she did not hear that expression.

The other witness said that she lived in the same house, and was awakened early on the morning of June 21, by hearing a noise in another room. She called out "what are you doing; are you fighting?" She had no reply, and on entering the room, she found the woman bleeding from a wound in her throat.

The case was adjourned until to-day.

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CARLTON LTD. LOSE TLS. 39,792.

Shanghai, August 11.—Mr. A. J. Welch, presiding at yesterday's annual general meeting of The Carlton, Ltd., at which Messrs. A. Bari, B. Bell, J. G. Bell and T. Griffin, directors, were present, alluded to the difficulties under which Shanghai's well-known entertainment house and cafe struggled during the year under review. While pessimistic regarding general trade improvement in Shanghai in the near future—an attitude which more directors in Shanghai might take in all honesty, and so save many shareholders unnecessary hopes, for no improvement in Shanghai business is yet in sight, to judge by general comments around the business centres of the city—Mr. Welch, nevertheless, believes that under the new management and with certain economies effected the Carlton will eventually make the profits to which the directors have long been looking forward.

In his speech Mr. Welch said:—

Once again I have to express our disappointment at coming before you with accounts that show such a poor result, the loss on the year's working being Taels 39,792.40. Of this loss Taels 3,230.85 may be said to be the loss on the actual running of the Cafe and the balance is made up of Interest, provision for bad and doubtful debts, provision for depreciation, legal expenses, which we hope will not recur, and of losses on the Chinese Restaurant and Confectionery Shop which ventures proved unprofitable and have now been closed down.

Apart from the damage caused to our business by the long months of strike, to which I alluded in my speech at the last Annual Meeting, there were several other adverse factors with which we had to contend, chief amongst which is the continuance of the depression in trade conditions generally, in which respect, I regret to say, there appears to be small hope of any great improvement in the immediate future. In addition to this, in our endeavour to achieve efficiency combined with economy, we have encountered the handicap of having had a succession of no less than four Managers during the past 12 months. These constant changes and the consequent disorganisation naturally affected our business to a certain extent, but your Directors are convinced, that with the right man in charge, the Carlton can be turned into a paying proposition and I am happy to be able to inform you that we have recently engaged the services of Mr. Israel as Manager of the Cafe. Mr. Israel has had a life time's experience of this class of business, both in the United States and locally, and the full benefit of his knowledge is now at our disposal.

Another important change that has recently been made in the Managerial policy is the appointment of Mr. A. Bari, who has just resumed his seat on the Board, to the position of Managing Director. Mr. Bari is well versed in the public entertainment business and will devote practically the whole of his time to the affairs of the Carlton, his particular attention being directed towards the financial side of the business. Although he only assumed this position a little over a fortnight ago, certain important working economies have already been effected as a result of his advice and I feel sure that he, with the loyal support of Mr. Israel, will be able to stop gradually any leaks that may exist and that, if it is possible to do so, the running costs will be reduced and the Carlton will be led into a new era of prosperity.

The nature of our undertaking, however, makes us peculiarly dependent upon the patronage of the public and we can do no more than to use every effort to attract and deserve such patronage and to hope that we shall meet with success.

The Cafe has been entirely redecorated recently and with the advent of cooler weather should prove additionally attractive to the public. An innovation has been introduced in the partitioning off of the gallery, which has been very little used hitherto, into boxes suitable for large or small private parties.

The Roof Garden is now open and with its unsurpassed attraction of cool breezes on these hot nights, gives every promise of success. There is now no charge for admission except on Saturday nights, although we continue to supply an excellent cabaret performance at intervals during the evening.

At the Annual Meeting last year, I referred to the arrangement made with Messrs. Seth, Mancell and McLure whereby from the 1st October, 1926, they became your Secretaries and General Managers.

This firm still remain as Secretaries to the Company, but the latter part of the title, namely "General Managers," was relinquished on the appointment of Mr. Bari as Managing Director.

In conclusion, Gentlemen, I would like to express our thanks to the Secretaries and to all those others who have worked so hard in the endeavour to make the Carlton a success and to voice the hope that their efforts will meet with the reward that they deserve during the current financial year.

The following resolutions were passed:

That the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended March 31, 1926, as presented, be adopted and passed. Proposed by Mr. A. J. Welch, and seconded by Mr. A. Bari.

That the appointments of Messrs. A. McLure, J. A. Turner, T. Griffin and A. Bari as Directors of the Company be confirmed. Proposed by Mr. E. Bell, and seconded by Mr. A. J. Welch.

That Messrs. A. Bari and T. Griffin be re-elected Directors of the Company. Proposed by Mr. E. Bell, and seconded by Mr. J. G. Bell.

That Messrs. Mortimer-Reid and Slee be elected Auditors of the Company for the current year. Proposed by Mr. A. J. Welch, and seconded by Mr. A. Bari.

A total of 5,230 shares was represented at the meeting. Mr. E. H. Baker represented the Secretaries, Messrs. Seth, Mancell and McLure at whose office the meeting was held.

MANCHESTER MARKET.

Effect of Coal Strike.

Messrs. James F. Hutton & Co., Ltd., Manchester, report on July 14:—

During the past week there has been a very fluctuating market at New York and values have been increased owing to reports being received from various parts of the cotton growing area regarding a very injurious specie of insect. These were afterwards discounted by more favourable news, but now fears of increased insect activities are being revived again and the market consequently affected.

The Coal Strike still continues here and with its lengthening days so do the difficulties increase. Production in the Lancashire trade is being curtailed and more concerns are stopping their machinery owing to the difficulty of obtaining the necessary coal.

The Federation of Master Cotton Spinners Association have had under consideration for some time a scheme whereby the basic rates for selling standard counts of American Yarn shall be fixed, and they have now arrived at a more or less satisfactory conclusion. The large majority of cotton spinners have agreed to the scheme, but it will not be put into operation until the present industrial troubles are out of the way. It does not necessarily follow that this arrangement will entail higher prices, although this seems very likely unless there is some appreciable reduction in the value of the raw material. The chief difficulty in the spinning trade has been that certain spinners have been selling below cost and so affecting the market in general. Prices for cloth are slightly higher than they were last week although the position of both manufacturers and spinners is still quite as bad as it was.

The Manchester market, however, does not seem to be understood by oversea buyers, who are cabling offers at hopeless limits which cannot have any chance of acceptance. The net result is that buyers are only placing that which is urgently needed and most of the business done is with a Strike Clause.

India is probably making more offers than the other markets, and some lines find their way on to the books.

China does very little beyond a few trifling lines of bleaching shirtings and fancies, while little more than oddments are done for Java, the Straits, and the Continental markets.

SIBERIA'S TRADE.

Important Improvements In Vladivostok.

Erection of a power plant costing approximately $500,000 the immediate building of three 3,000-ton steamers and other steps are being taken by the Soviet regime to regain for the port of Vladivostok the commercial importance it once enjoyed. The policy now being pursued indicates that the Soviet has decided to make the Siberian city a first-class port again.

Extensive alteration of the Eggersheld wharves is under way at present, according to S. Uramizu, a leading Japanese business man in Vladivostok. The construction of a timber wharf is also in progress, he reports, while warehouses are being reconstructed and large blocks of the shore front reclaimed. The power plant which has been authorised will take three years to build, but work is being rushed with an emergency appropriation for the building of the three steamers.

The flow of trade through the port shows a steady increase, Mr. Uramizu says, especially in minerals from the Ural Mountains. The recent re-establishment of wagon-lits through service from Vladivostok to Moscow over the Trans-Siberian and Chinese Eastern Railways has reacted favourably. Every encouragement is being given to the fostering of Siberian industry, and taxation has been reduced.

The revival of Russo-Japanese trade, which was held out by the proponents of official recognition of the Soviet Government, has not ensued, however. The Tokyo Government authorised the establishment of a Russo-Japanese Export Trade Union, which would embrace all Japanese doing business with Russia, promising a loan of at least $2,500,000 at a low rate of interest. To date, the capital subscribed for this export union is only $25,000, which is not sufficient to finance exports on a large scale.

During the most prosperous year of Russo-Japanese trade, which was the abnormal war year of 1916, the total value of imports and exports reached only $75,000,000, about 95 per cent. of which were exports from Japan to Russia. In the face of these figures, however, the advocates of Russian recognition were saying a few years ago that with such recognition Russo-Japanese trade would swell to such a volume as to make this Empire independent of trade with the United States, which at present is the mainstay of Japanese economic life. This prophecy has not come true, nor is there any hope that it will come true for many years, if ever.

WU PEI-FU RAISES MONEY.

Peking, August 4.

Government lands in Hankow have been mortgaged under an arrangement made by Mr. Lao Chih-chang, vice-Minister of Communications, in order to raise funds for Marshal Wu Pei-fu's military operations. The arrangement was made under direct orders from Marshal Wu, it is stated. The money—the exact amount not being named—is expected to be sent Marshal Wu at Changhsintien within a few days.

KAILAN MINES.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ended August 7 amounted to 51,558 tons, and the sales during the period to 65,290 tons.

The prospects of trade between Japan and South-east Africa are bright, but the present is a period when the Japanese business men should be very careful in selecting goods for exportation to that land, says Mr. Tadanao Imai, Japanese Consul at Capetown. Mr. Imai returned to Japan, arriving at Kobe at 6 p.m., July 20, aboard the N. Y. K. liner "Kamakura Maru." He was accompanied by Mrs. Elizabeth Imai and two children.

HONGKONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

			Aug. 18, 1926.	June, 1918.	June, 1914.
				Cts.	Cts.
Beef Sirloin	牛肉尾	lb.	36	24	12
" Prime Cut		"	36	23	12
" Corned	咸牛肉	"	—	23	12
" Roast	燒牛肉	"	34	24	22
" Breast	牛腩	"	30	20	18
" Soup	湯肉	"	30	20	18
" Steak	牛肉扒	"	34	24	22
" Steak Sirloin	牛腰	"	48	30	35
" Sausages	牛腸	"	40	26	20
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	15	10	12
" Tongue, fresh	牛脷	each	70	50	60
" Tongue, corned	咸牛脷	"	—	60	—
" Head	牛頭	"	$1.20	—	$1.20
" Heart	牛心	lb.	24	18	14
" Hump, Salt	牛肩腩	"	38	20	18
" Feet	牛腳	each	12	10	12
" Kidneys	牛腰子	"	15	10	12
" Tail	牛尾	"	30	20	22
" Liver	牛肝	lb.	24	18	14
" Tripe	牛肚	"	8	6	7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛仔頭腳	set	$1.20	$1.00	$1.00
Mutton Chop	羊扒骨	lb.	50	26	—
" Leg	羊脾	"	50	26	—
" Shoulder	羊手肉	"	48	24	—
" Saddle	羊鞍	"	50	—	—
Pig's Chitlings	豬腸	"	28	—	27
" Brains	豬腦	Per set	3	—	12
" Feet	豬腳	lb.	22	15	—
" Fry	豬什碎	"	28	15	18
" Head	豬頭	"	22	20	—
" Heart	豬心	each	15	10	10
" Kidneys	豬腰	"	15	10	8
" Liver	豬肝	lb.	50	30	24
Pork Chop	豬扒骨	"	46	25	23
" Leg	豬腿	"	46	—	—
" Loin	豬後腰肉	"	52	30	70
" Fat or Lard	豬油	"	24	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭腳	per set	85	60	70
" Heart	羊心	each	12	8	7
" Kidneys	羊腰子	"	15	12	10
" Liver	羊肝	"	50	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order	乳豬	lb.	25	25	22
Suet, Beef	鮮牛油	"	34	20	18
" Mutton	鮮羊油	"	50	26	24
Veal	牛仔肉	"	36	20	19
" Sausages	牛仔腸	"	40	20	20
" " No. 1		"	—	—	—

Fish.

Barbel	鯇魚	lb.	24	19	24
Bream	鳊魚	"	30	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish	塘魚(省城淡水魚)	"	32	18	16
Carp	鯉魚	"	36	16	27
Catfish	鮎魚	"	24	12	9
Codfish	鱈魚	"	34	20	25
Crabs	蟹	"	70	23	26
Cuttle Fish	墨魚	"	20	16	2
Dab		"	80	23	16
Dace	黃尾肚	"	16	10	9
Dog Fish	鱶沙魚	"	12	10	8
Eels, Conger	海鱔	"	45	16	—
" Fresh Water	淡水鰻魚	"	30	10	18
" Yellow	黃鱔	"	76	26	30
Frogs	石田鷄	"	80	32	25
Garoupa	石白鱠魚	"	85	40	30
Gudgeon	細東白魚	"	36	18	15
Herrings	青甲花魚	"	40	22	18
Halibut	龍脷	"	30	18	23
Labrus	衣魚	"	36	22	18
Loach	烏鯽魚	"	80	22	24
Lobsters	龍蝦	"	80	32	21
Mackerel	荔芝魚	"	32	20	26
Monk Fish	鮟鱇魚	"	45	32	28
Mullet	鯔魚	"	28	13	2
Oysters	鮮蠔公	"	30	16	22
Parrot Fish	鸚哥魚	"	24	14	9
Perch	花斑	"	30	20	15
Pike	青魚	"	16	16	9
Plaice		"	66	28	14
Pomfret, Black	黑鯧魚	"	50	26	29
Pomfret, White	白鯧魚	"	55	36	30
Prawns	蝦	"	80	36	45
Ray	魟魚	"	10	10	14
Rock Fish	石斑公	"	28	13	18
Roach	鯪魚	"	40	22	16
Salmon	三文魚	"	85	80	30
Shark	沙魚	"	10	8	10
Skate	魟魚	"	16	10	10
Shrimps	蝦立魚	"	30	26	35
Snapper	鯛魚	"	75	32	30
Soles	沙口魚	"	36	28	23
Tench	九肚魚	"	40	22	18
Turbot	左口魚	"	42	18	12
Turtles, small, fr. water	龜	"	$1.20	40	—

Poultry.

			Aug. 18, 1926.	June, 1918.	June, 19.
				Cts.	Cts.
Chicken	雞	lb.	65	30	37
Capons, Small	線雞	"	55	28	30
Capons, Large	肥線雞	"	60	28	30
Duck	鴨	"	45	22	21
Doves	乳鴿	each	—	22	23
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	26	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮雞蛋	"	30	25	20
Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	80	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	"	45	36	24
Geese	鵝	"	55	21	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	55	30	—
" Hollow	海口鴿公	"	35	28	—
Turkeys, Cock	火雞	lb.	—	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火雞	"	—	51	45
Snipe	沙堤	each	—	—	—
Pheasant	山雞	pair	—	—	—
Quail	鶉	"	—	—	—
Partridges	鷓鴣	"	—	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds	杏仁	lb.	55	35	—
Apples California	金山蘋果	"	22	24	—
Bananas (bride's)	糯米蕉	"	7	4	—
Carambola	楊桃	"	16	12	—
Cocoanuts	椰子	each	12	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	12	7	—
Lemons (America)	金山檸檬	each	6	8	—
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	40	25	30
Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	"	—	—	—
Oranges	橙	"	35	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	"	12	—	—
Peanuts	花生	"	14	10	12
Persimmons, Large	紅柿	"	22	12	—
Plantain	大蕉	"	4	3	4
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	15	12	6
Walnuts	合桃	lb.	16	—	15
Grapes	提子	"	—	—	—

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes	雞爪芝竹	each	—	—	8
Beans, Sprout	芽菜	lb.	5	—	7
" Long	青角	"	22	8	—
Beet Root	紅菜頭	each	2	8	8
Bitter Squash	苦瓜	lb.	10	—	—
Brinjals, Green	青瓜	"	7	5	9
" Red	紅瓜	"	8	5	8
Cabbage, Chinese	菜	"	22	5	12
" (Shanghai)	上海菜	"	18	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch	蔗	"	—	—	—
Cauliflower (Large)	大椰菜花	each	—	—	—
" (Medium	中椰菜花	"	—	—	—
" (Small)	細椰菜花	lb.	—	6	6
Carrots	紅蘿蔔	"	14	6	6
Celery, Chinese	唐人芹菜	"	16	10	6
Chillies, Dried	辣椒干	"	8	25	5
" Red	紅花椒	"	8	10	16
" Green	青辣椒	"	6	8	12
Curry Stuff, English	咖喱材料	"	10	8	—
Cucumbers	青瓜	each	6	2	—
Garlic	蒜頭	"	8	6	6
Ginger, Young	子薑	"	8	7	—
" Old	老薑	"	7	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai	(辣)米	each	32	8	4
Indian Corn	粟米	"	8	45	—
Lettuce	鵝生菜	lb.	20	1	—
Water Chestnuts	馬蹄	"	10	—	8
" Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	"	15	—	3
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮草菇	"	44	—	3
Okroes		"	18	1	10
Onions, Bombay	洋葱頭	"	8	8	5
" Green	生葱	"	10	4	6
" Shanghai	上海葱頭	"	6	6	—
Parsley	芹菜	"	80	60	8
Potato, Sweet	番薯	"	5	3	—
" Japanese	日本薯仔	"	4	3	—
" American	金山薯仔	"	6	8	10
Pumpkin	冬瓜	"	5	4	4
Radish	紅蘿蔔仔	"	8	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大黃	"	—	—	10
Shallots	干葱頭	"	10	8	—
Spinach	菠菜	"	8	4	—
Tomatoes	番茄	"	14	7	—
Taros	芋頭	"	7	6	—
Turnips, Punt (Long)	蘿蔔	"	8	4	—
Vegetable Marrow	節瓜	"	16	4	—
Water Cress	西洋菜	"	12	15	—
Water Lily Root	蓮	"	7	6	—

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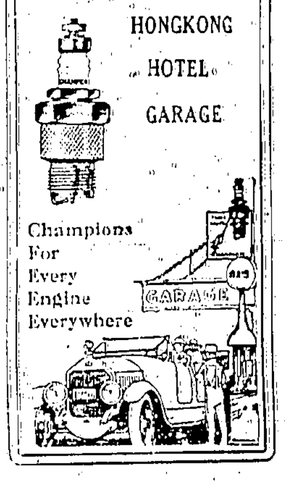

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VIOLENT CRIMES.

CHINESE MERCHANT SHOT IN THE STOMACH.

Two more crimes of violence were committed in Singapore on August 11, including a serious shooting case and another gang robbery.

A Hokien merchant, Lim Bor, of Thomson Road, was shot in the stomach. Two Macaos, whose names are unknown, are said to be concerned. The wound inflicted is said to be one of a very serious nature.

A Cantonese shoe-maker, of Tanjong Pagar Road, was the victim of the gang robbery which, it is said, was carried out by a party of Cantonese. The crime was committed about 7.50 p.m. and later three Cantonese were arrested by members of the detective branch.

Marked Increase.

There has been a marked outbreak of violent crime in Singapore during the last fortnight, says the "Straits Times" of August 12, which adds:—

On August 2 a house in Neil Road was ransacked by a gang of Chinese armed with pistols who shot a young Straits Chinese dead as he was entering the house.

On Sunday night a gang of Chinese armed with pistols entered the municipal flats in Erskine Road, robbed the occupants, and fired shots into the air on leaving.

Last Wednesday four Chinese armed with pistols entered a coffee shop in Seah Street, and shot and wounded the towkay and a Bengali in making good their escape.

On the same night six Chinese armed with knives robbed a man in Bukit Timah Road, and a similar affair occurred in Smith Street.

Last night there was the shooting outrage and the gang robbery reported above.

We understand that no unusual measures have been taken by the police, but the special armed patrols which have been in operation in the streets for some months past are being retained.

PENANG'S $3,000,000.

RAILLESS CARS TO REPLACE 'BUSES.

A meeting of the Municipal Commission detailed the distribution of the $3,000,000 loan, approved by the Legislative Council, including the much discussed Batu Feringhi Waterworks, Electric tramways, Engineer's departments, etc.

Three railless cars are replacing the old rattling 'buses running from the jetty to Began Jermak.

Replying to Mr. Lim Cheng-ean regarding the increase in house assessment and the general water rate, the President said that in 1920 house assessment was raised from 13 to 15 per cent. and the water rate to 5 per cent.

A previous increase was in 1910 when the house assessment rate was raised from 11½ to 13 per cent., the water rate remaining at 2 per cent.

In 1923, while the total rate of 20 per cent. was retained, house assessment was increased to 18 per cent. while the water rate was reduced to 2 per cent.

The rates for 1926 have already been fixed and levied. The possibility of a reduction in 1927 may best be considered in connection with the estimates for that year, which will be laid before the Commissioners in draft form in September.

Replying to a question regarding the reduction of electricity charges the President asked Mr. Khoo Sian-ewe, the questioner, to withdraw the motion as the matter is in the hands of a committee.

H.K. HOTEL RESIDENTS.

August 19.

Mr C. P. Anderson	Mr G. Mannihi
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	Mr G. Wragge

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By no action or words is it possible for a priest or anyone else to make a spiritual change in the substance of material things.—Bishop of Birmingham.

LOTTERY FRAUD.

SENTENCES IN THE BANGKOK CASE.

Bangkok, August 11.—Judgment was delivered late last evening in the Million Tical Lottery case.

The six accused were charged with fraud in connection with the running and drawing of the lottery in aid of the Wild Tiger Scouts of the Winter Fair in January, 1925. They were also charged with fraud in connection with a minor lottery drawn during the fair.

There were twelve charges against the defendants, and 70 witnesses were called for the prosecution and 20 for the defence.

The court found that Phya Nondisen, organiser of the lottery, and two others were guilty of fraud in connection with the million tical lottery, and Nondisen and one other guilty of fraud in connection with the smaller lottery.

Nondisen and another were sentenced to ten years and the third accused to five years.

The three accused were also ordered to pay the money misappropriated.

Two other accused were found not guilty and discharged. The sixth accused was not dealt with owing to having had a nervous breakdown and being under medical observation.

The sentences were received by the public in court with cheers.—"Straits Times."

This picture of Mrs. Elsie Hinman Dula was taken just after a jury had awarded her $100,000 damages against her mother-in-law for alienation of her husband's affections.

STOPPING THE INDIAN RIOTS

London, July 28.—Sir Abbas Ali Baig having written a letter inviting Lajpat Rai to ease the Hindu-Moslem tension by dropping shibboleths calculated to advance Hindu political interests at the expense of Moslems, Lajpat Rai, in a letter to "The Times" promises the fullest co-operation in purging the Shudhi Movement and any provocative element if Sir Ali Baig persuades his co-religionaries to be content with a legitimate share of representation in the legislature and on local bodies.—"Times of Ceylon."

It has made the fortunes of thousands who believe in its display. In every corner of the world advertising pays the advertiser. Proof is again to hand of this well-known fact:—The Hastings and St. Leonard's Borough Association, in its annual report, pays a tribute to the value of newspaper advertising. It calls attention to the surprisingly low average cost, from direct replies received and states that the results are in almost exact ratio to the expenditure. The executive adds that its policy is now to concentrate as fully as possible on Press advertising, which, experience has shown, is the best way of reaching the public.

Tokyo, July 25.—Two engineers detailed by the Department of Commerce and Industry, and one each from the Mitsui and Mitsubishi concerns, to French Indo-China to explore the iron mines located in Pnemdek Mountains in the upper valley of the Mekong River, about 150 miles from Saigon, at the request of the French Government through the French Ambassador at Tokyo, are reported to have completed their work. According to a telegraphic message received by the Department from the engineers, the ore deposit is reckoned to amount to about 70 million tons, containing 37-88 per cent. of iron. The engineers are expected to return to Tokyo some time next month, after having explored iron mines in regions about Tongking.

LADY STABBED.

ALLEGED CONFESSION BY ONE ACCUSED.

Batavia, August 11.—Great interest is being taken in the trial of the men charged with the murder of Mrs. Campbell Macfie, an Australian lady, at Garoet last year.

The course of events was minutely traced, starting with Mrs. Macfie's journey to Garoet.

The accused mandore Entjim denied that he made a confession on May 4 to the Batavia police.

A witness named Rachman said Entjim pushed him into Mrs. Macfie's room and forced him to hold her legs, whereupon Ruben and Entjim killed her.

Batavia, August 12. — Entjim confessed that he killed Mrs. Macfie assisted by Ruben and Rachman.

Batavia, August 12.—At the trial of the men accused of the murder of Mrs. Macfie, an Australian lady, at Garoet last year, the accused mandore Entjim stated that a man named Ruben, runner at a competing hotel, asked him which room Mrs. Macfie occupied, and persuaded him to enter his hotel's service that night at 11 o'clock.

Ruben told him and Rachman of the murder plan and said Entjim would receive 250 guilders and Rachman 150, which they agreed to.

Entjim went to Mrs. Macfie's room at 1.30 on the night, followed by Ruben and Rachman. The latter opened the doors and both entered, Rachman calling in Entjim.

Ruben and Rachman opened the mosquito net. Mrs. Macfie was sleeping with her face to the door. Ruben stabbed her three times and Entjim did the same, through the blankets.

Rachman took away the trunks and returned and told them he had thrown them away in an empty well.

Rachman confirmed Entjim's confession, but said only Entjim stabbed first, and he took away the trunks. — Aneta Service to "Straits Times."

Benito Mussolini is still pursuing the same political programme which the idealists and realisers of the Italian Risorgimento had planned; from Foscolo to Mazzini; from Cavour to Crespi. —Senator Cippico.

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FISH-PLAGUE.

PICKLING PETS AS A REMEDY.

The bad luck of the Royal Botanical Gardens, Regent's Park, London, N.W., in losing 400 fish from an epidemic draws fresh attention to the scourge which is known as "cotton-wool" disease or saprolegnia.

It is the worst plague that afflicts those who keep fish, says a writer in the "Daily Mail." The pet gold-fish in his glass bowl, the stickleback captured by a schoolboy, and the specimens in a large public aquarium may all fall victims, and it is as deadly to fish as cholera to the Eastern races.

Yet there is a successful treatment which is best described as "pickling." A solution of brine is made of a tablespoonful of common salt to a gallon of water. The gold-fish or other victim is dropped into this and watched until he shows signs of turning giddy. Then he is tenderly picked out with a wash-leather glove and restored to his hospital tank —for, of course, he is isolated. A fain-tailed gold-fish is just recovering at the London Zoo after a course of this treatment.

There is another method which needs special knowledge. The patient is kept under a stream of water which has the effect of combined washing and massage. The eyes are liable to bulge if this is done unskilfully.

Affected ponds or tanks should be cleared of all water-weeds after an epidemic, otherwise newly installed fish will almost certainly become infected with the lowly fungus which causes the trouble. —L.G.M.

SUN'S PHASES.

Calendar for August.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hongkong for August, 1926. (Standard Time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich).

Date. August	Sunrise a.m.	Sunset p.m.
20	6.02	6.52
21	6.03	6.51
22	6.03	6.50
23	6.03	6.49
24	6.03	6.48
25	6.03	6.47
26	6.04	6.46
27	6.04	6.45
28	6.04	6.44
29	6.04	6.43
30	6.05	6.43
31	6.05	6.42

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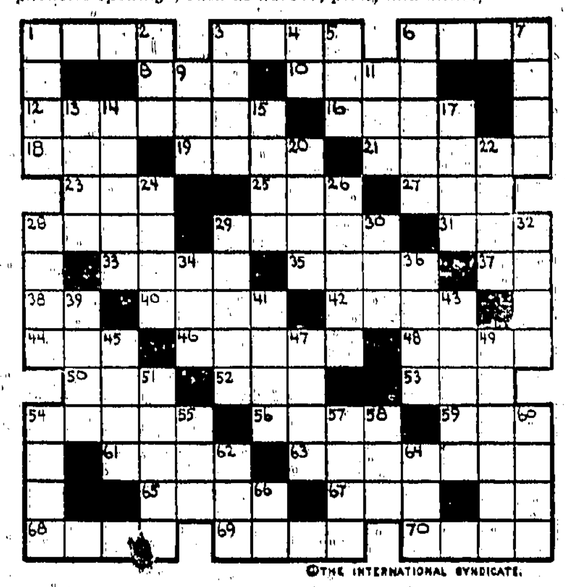
OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL
1–Sudden pain
3–Highest point
6–Assist
8–Combining form. New
10–Belonging to me
12–Load
16–Kind of wine
18–Deface
19–Forehead
21–Table mat
23–Wooden pin
25–Cook in grease
27–Turkish governor
28–Change direction
29–Discolor
31–Sore
33–Daybreak
35–Pare
37–Ex-officio (abbr.)
38–Within
40–Period of time
42–Legal claim
44–At present
45–Trade mark
48–Man's stocking
50–A marble
52–Rest prone

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
53–Also
54–Attacked
56–Moisture (pl.)
59–Compass direction (abbr.)
61–Bucket
63–Sheaveless block (Naut.)
65–Perused
67–Organ of sight
68–He (pl.)
69–Grove
70–Niche

VERTICAL
1–Staid
2–South-African antelope
3–Emit in a stream
4–Form of verb "to be"
5–Untanned calfskin
6–King of Judea
7–Frolic
9–Flow out
11–Incline the head
13–Scruff

VERTICAL (Cont.)
14–Belief
15–Yielding
17–Fastened
20–Enclose
22–Musical instrument
24–A color
26–Give up
28–Bed of ore
29–Tangle
30–Not either (abbr.)
32–Yellow of an egg
34–Net, mesh
36–For fear that
39–Sound
41–Foray
43–Slip loop
46–An insect
47–Want
49–Comfortable
51–Tired
54–English title (abbr.)
55–Cravat
57–Useless plant
58–Speak
60–Impotent
62–Ordinance
64–Lair
66–Achieve

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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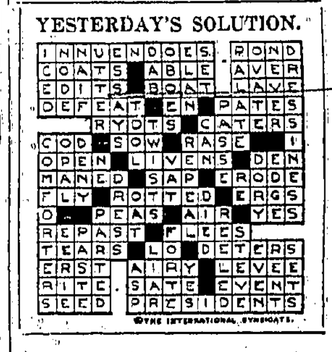

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MONTEVIDEO MARU .....Friday 3rd September.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
TACOMA MARU .....Friday, 3rd September.
SYDNEY MARU .....Tuesday, 7th September.
SUMATRA MARU .....Sunday, 19th September.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.
SANUKI MARU .....Wednesday, 25th August.
BANGKOK—Via Saigon.
KOHSO MARU .....Monday, 30th August.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.
ALABAMA MARU (From Shanghai) Saturday, 1st September.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA.—Via Singapore & Colombo.
CHICAGO MARU .....Friday, 10th September.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.
ARGUN MARU ....(From Keelung) End of September.
JAPAN PORTS
ALASKA MARU .....Monday, 23rd August.
BINGO MARU .....Tuesday, 24th August.
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HOZAN MARU .....Sunday, 29th August Noon.
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.
KOTSU MARU .....Wednesday, 25th Aug. 10 a.m.
TAKAO and KEELUNG.
GANGES MARU .....Wednesday 25th August.
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LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND CLEARANCES.

THE MORNING LIST.

This morning, the following sea-going arrivals at Hongkong were reported:—

Malwa (5974) Br., from London, Singapore; M. M. & Co.
Kalgan (1556) Br., from Bangkok, Singapore; B. & S.
Euryades (3620) Br., from Hankow, Shanghai; B. & S.
Chenan (1355) Br., from Shanghai; B. & S.
Teucer (5761) Br., from Liverpool, Singapore; B. & S.
Suiyang (1594) Br., from Shanghai, Amoy; B. & S.
Tjimanock (3510) Dutch, from Dalny, Amoy; J.C.J.L.
Elida Clausen (1444) Nor., from Chinwangtao; Dodwell.
Hamburg Maru (3158) Jap., from Yokohama, Moji; O.S.K.
Tango Maru (4238) Jap., from Melbourne, Manila; N.Y.K.
Wing Wo (503) Chi., from Kwongchow-wan; Yew Kee.

Departures.

For Manila: Mishima Maru.
For Saigon: General Metzinger.
For Shanghai: Kwongsang, Telemachus, Empress of Asia.
For Singapore: Van Overstraten.
For Kobe: Malwa.
For Haiphong: New Mathilde.

Clearances.

For Shanghai: Yingchow.
For Kwong-chow-wan: Chung Hing.
For Quinhon: Haldis.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha s.s. "Tango Maru" arrived in port yesterday afternoon from Australia and Manila. She brought cargo and passengers for Hongkong and left this morning for Japan.

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Bringing general cargo and passengers from Shanghai and mail from Europe via Siberia, the s.s. "Szechuen" of the China Navigation Co., arrived in port this morning.

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The "President Cleveland" of the Dollar Line and the s.s. "West Holbrook" of the U.S. Shipping Board will be despatched this afternoon for Manila. The "Cleveland" is taking cargo, passengers and U.S. mail. The "West Holbrook" will only take cargo and U.S. mail.

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Coming from Marseilles, London, and Antwerp, via Singapore, the s.s. "Fushimi Maru" of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha is expected to arrive to-morrow morning with cargo and passengers.

SHIPS IN PORT.

At 9 a.m. to-day the following numbers of vessels were in port:—

British	25
American	2
Panama	1
German	1
Japanese	4
Chinese	12
Dutch	6
Portuguese	2
French	1
Norwegian	1
Total	55

KWANGTUNG RIVERS.

Waterlevels (In English Feet) at 8 a.m.

	Aug. 17	Aug. 18
West River at Shiuhing	+ 16.2	+ 16.9
North River at Tsingyuen	+ 5.1	Falling
North River at Samshui	+ 8.0	+ 9.24
East River at Sheklung	+ 1.7	+ 1.4

JETTISONED CARGO.

GERMAN COURT AND OWNERS' LIABILITY.

INTERESTING DECISION.

An interesting decision of the Hanseatic Oberlandesgericht, a full report of which will be found in the Hans. R. Z. 26 Sp. 42224, shows that the shipowner under German law is responsible for damage arising through the jettisoning of deck cargo (in spite of "exemption from nautical blame" contained in the charter-party), if the ship when beginning her voyage does not possess the necessary stability.

The captain of the s.s. "Elizabeth," which had 275 standards of sawn timber on board, had on the voyage from Memel to Groningen jettisoned from 12 to 15 standards of deck cargo to prevent the vessel from capsizing. The insurers of the cargo as assignees of the charterers, sued the shipowner under paragraph 559 of the Handelsgesetzbuch for the loss incurred, on the ground that the steamer, in consequence of too heavy a deck load, had not been of sufficient stability and had not been seaworthy. The owners denied the alleged unseaworthiness and lack of stability and said that the jettisoning of the timber had been rendered necessary by the extremely heavy weather the ship had encountered. They had, they said, specially exempted themselves in the charter-party from responsibility for mistakes and errors on the part of the captain.

Voyage Dangers.

The Landgericht, Hamburg found in favour of the claimants. The appeal lodged by the defendants was disallowed by the Oberlandesgericht. In its finding the Court of Appeal states that the vessel on beginning her voyage was unseaworthy in the sense of par. 559, H.G.B. The ship with such a cargo on board was by nature of her build not adapted to withstand the dangers encountered on this voyage, although these dangers were not of a "quite extraordinary character." The mistake, said the Court, lay only in the fact that the ship was overloaded and therefore lacked the necessary stability. As the evidence had shown that the cargo had been properly stowed, the heavier sorts of wood being stowed in the hold and the lighter on deck, the heavy rolling of the vessel which in the course of the voyage had led to the jettisoning of the deck cargo was to be attributed to the overloading of the vessel. That the ship was overloaded had been observable even when the ship was leaving the harbour, and had aroused the comment, not only of other crews in the harbour of Memel, but had also caused the pilot to express scruples to the captain. The defendant had failed to show that the shortcomings of the vessel could not have been discovered if ordinary care had been taken. The defendant had in this connection to bear the responsibility for the mistakes made by the captain, who was to blame for taking on board such a heavy deck cargo.

The defendant has also appealed on the ground that according to the charter-party the shipping firm was not responsible for damage arising through loss, collisions, stranding and other maritime accidents, even though the damage or loss so arising was to be attributed to some faulty action, error or negligence on the part of the pilot, the ship master, the sailors or any other employee of the owner's firm. The Court found that this exemption could not hold good in the present case, seeing that it was here not directly a question of the responsibility of the owner for an infringement by the captain against Par. 513 and 514 H.G.B. There was no exemption from the obligations laid down in Par. 559 H.G.B.

SHIP AGROUND.

ON THE SHIKONU COAST.

DAMAGE NOT SERIOUS.

Tokyo, August 9.

The s.s. "Silver Cedar," a British freighter of 4,535 tons, which is circling the world, went aground near Matsuyama on the Shikonu coast this morning. The vessel was on her way to Shanghai via Dairen from Kobe, where she unloaded cotton from New York. She was loaded, besides, with resin and other miscellanous goods.

The damage is not believed serious.

Japanese ships have rushed to rescue the stranded vessel but unfavourable weather is hampering them.

WIRELESS 'PHONES.

FOR THE BASRAH HARBOUR VESSELS.

Very satisfactory results are reported from the working of the Marconi wireless telephone sets installed on harbour vessels some twelve months ago by the Basrah Port Trust. The vessels so equipped in the Persian Gulf are the control vessels Alert and Yenan, the pilot vessels Nearchus, Liger, and Station Ship Harmaq, working with shore stations at Tanoomah and Fao.

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1926.					
Empress of Canada,	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	Sept. 8	Sept. 11	Sept. 20
Empress of Russia,	Sept. 16	Sept. 10	Sept. 22	Sept. 25	Oct. 4
Empress of Asia,	Oct. 14	Oct. 17	Oct. 20	Oct. 23	Nov. 1
Empress of Canada,	Oct. 29	Oct. 31	Nov. 3	Nov. 6	Nov. 15
Empress of Russia,	Nov. 11	Nov. 14	Nov. 17	Nov. 20	Nov. 29

(E/Asia and E/Russia call at Nagasaki the day after departure from Shanghai).

HONGKONG—MANILA—HONGKONG SERVICE.

Leave HONGKONG	Arrive MANILA		Leave MANILA	Arrive HONGKONG
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Sept. 8	Sept. 10	E/Russia	Sept. 11	Sept 13

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MOREA	10,918	16th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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"HOI NAM"s DETAILS.

Further details about the piracy of the s.s. "Hoi Nam" (from Shanmei to Canton) this week, have reached the "China Mail."

Investigations made on arrival at Canton, revealed the fact that one of the mail bags had been slit open by the pirates, and the contents had been tampered with.

There were about 25 in the gang.

The attack was launched after a short stop near Ma Kung, where a few passengers and a little cargo were taken on board.

Practically the whole of the ship's cargo was removed at Bias Bay, together with personal effects, property, etc.

The total loot is estimated at about $80,000. A tenth of the amount was made up by money and property in the custody of the compradore, but cargo comprised the majority.

Captain Koo Leung-on was in charge of the steamer.

THE PRINCE TO NAME A LIFEBOAT.

London, July 10.—H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, K.G., who is president of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, will, during his forthcoming visit to the Isle of Wight, perform the naming ceremony of the new motor lifeboat at Yarmouth. The ceremony will take place on the afternoon of July 22. Sir Godfrey Baring, Bart., chairman of the Committee of Management of the institution, will present the boat to Yarmouth, and she will be received by Major H. Mansford, O.B.E., chairman of the Branch Committee. Captain Howard F. J. Rowley, C.B.E., R.N., chief inspector of lifeboats, will describe the boat, the Archdeacon of the Isle of Wight will conduct the dedication service; and the Prince will then name the boat, after which the Hon. George Colville, deputy-chairman of the Committee of Management, will thank the Prince in the name of the institution. The boat is of the latest type, the Watson Cabin. She is 45 feet long, and has an engine of 76 h.p. She has been built out of legacies which the institution has received from the late Mrs. Marion Pender-Smart, of Tunbridge Wells; Mr. Richard Blackburn, of Nottingham; Mrs. Henrietta Davidson Price, of South Kensington; and Mrs. Constance Armstrong, of Boscombe, Hants. The names of the donors will be inscribed inside the boat in full, and the boat's name will be made out of the initials of the donors, B.A.S.P.

QUARANTINE.

Quarantine restrictions imposed by Hongkong against arrivals from Yokohama and Haiphong on account of plague and cholera respectively have been withdrawn.

Notice has been given that a resounding of the Tsungming Crossing, Yangtze River, shows that there is now only a depth of 8 feet at low water of extraordinary spring tides between the Crossing Buoy and the Shoal Buoy. Mariners are warned that the channel should be navigated with caution.

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Haiphong	MINGSANG	Sun.,	22nd Aug.,	at	8 a.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Tues.,	24th Aug.,	at	2 p.m.
Tsingtau via Shanghai	HOPSANG	Wed.,	25th Aug.,	at	Noon
Straits & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Wed.,	25th Aug.,	at	3 p.m.
Haiphong	LEESANG	Sun.,	29th Aug.,	at	8 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	NAMSANG	Tues.,	31st Aug.,	at	3 p.m.
Tsingtau via Shanghai	YATSHING	Wed.,	1st Sept.,	at	Noon.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Wed.,	1st Sept.	at	2 p.m.
Tientsin	CHIPSHING	Fri.,	3rd Sept.,	at	Noon.
Kobe via Moji	LAISANG	Tues.,	7th Sept.,	at	7 a.m.
Tsingtau via Shanghai	KWONGSANG	Wed.,	8th Sept.,	at	5 p.m.
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Captain L. Jenkins, of the Nanning, is on reserve. Captain J. H. Clark, from reserve, has gone master, Nanning.

Mr. W. T. Paul, chief officer, Sinkiang, is on reserve. Mr. L. W. Kowe, chief officer, Wenchow, has gone chief officer, Sinkiang.

Mr. W. Peplow, chief officer, Linan, has gone master, Kiukiang. Captain W. Paterson, of the Kiukiang, is on Home leave.

Mr. D. C. Sinclair, chief engineer, Yingchow, has gone chief engineer, Shengking. Mr. J. Baxter, chief engineer, Shengking, has gone chief engineer, Yingchow.

Mr. P. Bolam, second officer, Kaying, is on reserve.

Mr. E. Gostling, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Kutwo. Mr. P. J. Jordan, chief officer, Kutwo, has gone chief officer, Fuhwo.

Mr. P. B. Anderson, supy second officer, Kungwo, has gone second officer, Yusang. Mr. J. Bolam, second officer, Yusang, is on reserve.

Mr. C. R. Harris, from reserve, has gone second officer, Mingsang. Mr. H. G. Goddard, second officer, Mingsang, has gone second officer, Hosang. Mr. A. A. Gerrard, second officer, Hosang, has resigned.

Mr. J. Turbyne, chief officer, Hosang, is on reserve. Mr. H. A. Houchen, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Hosang.

Mr. J. Gunn, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, Loongwo. Mr. J. McCreath, chief engineer, Loongwo, is on reserve.

Mr. J. Fry, second engineer, Tingsang, is on reserve.

Captain J. C. Laing, of the Kaiping, is on reserve. Mr. A. Watson, chief officer, Kaiping, has gone acting master, same ship. Mr. W. Castain, second officer, Kaiping, has gone acting chief officer, same ship. Mr. H. F. Healy, third officer, Kaiping, has gone acting second officer, same ship. Mr. C. McAlister has been appointed temporary third officer, Kaiping.—Shipping & Engineering.

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A report has been widely circulated that the Royal National Lifeboat Institution has decided to close its station at Kingsdown, in Kent; that this leaves only the station at Deal on this part of the coast, off which lie the Goodwin Sands, and that this fact has caused dismay among the local seafaring people. This is not correct. The Kingsdown boat has been removed because she is considered to be past service, and the station is temporarily closed." Whether or not it is to be permanently closed is under consideration. A reserve boat has not been sent to the station because, during the summer months, at any rate, this part of the coast is fully protected not only by Deal, but by the station at Folkestone and the station at Ramsgate, which is now provided with a powerful motor lifeboat of the latest type.

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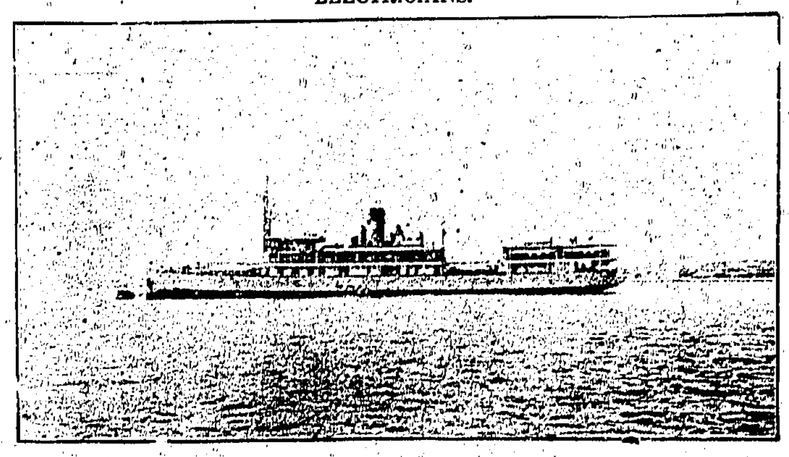

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BIRTHS.

ROSS.—On August 20, at the Peak Hospital, to Hilda, wife of Sydney Hampden Ross, a daughter.

WOODWARD.—On August 13, 1926, at Matilda Hospital, Hongkong, to the Rev. and Mrs. Frank T. Woodward, a daughter (Bettie Mabel).

LEAKEY.—On August 11, 1926, at the Maternity Hospital, Singapore, to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Leakey (S.S.P.), a son.

BARRETT.—On August 8, to Doris, wife of M. E. Barrett, S. Patani, at the Maternity Hospital, Penang, a son.

DEATHS.

COOK.—July 13, at Malcesine, Italy, after a short illness, the Rev. J. A. Bethune Cook, late of Singapore, aged 71.

STACK.—On August 12, 1926, at the General Hospital, Singapore, Frederick James Stack, aged 66, late Master Mariner of the Straits Steamship Company.

Hongkong, Friday, August 20, 1926.

COAL CRISIS.

In accordance with the old proverb expectation hath failed where most it promised. After a grim silence of two months the coal owners and the miners' leaders have met at the round table; talked for an hour and a half; and separated without coming a fraction of an inch closer to each other.

From the reports cabled to-day, both sides appear to have been implacable and obstinate, neither would concede one point to the other. In these distressing circumstances it would certainly have been futile to have kept up a mere semblance of negotiations without a practical basis. And so, at the beginning of Autumn *the whole country is faced with* the possibility of the stoppage being carried on through the long cold Winter months with calamitous results to the women and children of the miners and of the families of men in other industries affected by the mining dispute.

The breakdown in the conference yesterday is to be deplored. It is not for us at this distance to "reason why." The populace at Home, however, have a right to demand intervention by some means to save the mining industry and to mitigate the uneconomic effects on the whole country. A month or so ago, Mr. Garvin, in the Observer, expressed the opinion that the only alternative to peace by negotiation was for the Government to call the Coal Commission together and consult with that body as to the most feasible method of ending forthwith a most deplorable situation. Since then the Anglican Bishops and the Free Church leaders have endeavoured to effect a conciliation between the coal owners and the miners, but even their proposals were turned down on a district vote of the miners.

For the moment there appears only one ray of hope. The miners in an important colliery in Notts have accepted the owners' terms —a 7½ hours week at the old wages—and are signing on immediately. The Derbyshire and other Notts owners have intimated their intention to re-open their pits on the same terms. This example will doubtless be followed by others, in which case it will be tested whether Mr. A. J. Cook's vitriolic eloquence fails against the cry of the miners themselves for work in order to keep themselves and their families from starvation.

A hint is given in to-day's cables of a probable development when the House of Commons reassembles at the end of this month to sanction a continuance of the Emergency Regulations. But no great reliance can be placed on a cursory statement of this kind. The miners' leaders having failed to effect a peaceful settlement, it only remains for the men themselves to have a turn at saving themselves and the industry in which they are employed.

LOST A WATCH?

TWO WALTHAMS IN POLICE HANDS.

POSSESSOR CONVICTED.

Arising out of a case before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning, two American Waltham gold wrist watches are now in the hands of the police awaiting claimants.

One watch has the makers' name on the dial and is complete with a flexible band. The other, slightly smaller, which has hooks designed for use either as a wrist or pocket watch, may be the valued possession of some person, whose initials appear in woven characters at the back (decipherable as F.C.S.C.), the date April 10, 1917 on the inside of the back cover, and the makers' name and number (Waltham, U.S.A., 186755) on the works.

These watches were found in the possession of a young Chinese who visited a pawnshop at a time when Sergeant Brittain and a detective were there making investigations in another case. In answer to a charge of unlawful possession, defendant stated that he purchased the smaller of the watches in Shanghai and the other from a local shop. An employee of the latter shop refuted this statement in evidence.

His Worship was not satisfied with the explanation and sentenced defendant to three weeks' hard labour. Order was made for the watches to be held by the police pending claimants.

CORRESPONDENCE.

BRITISH LEGION APPEAL BY EARL HAIG.

"FOR DOING GOOD."

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—On this, the anniversary of the day upon which, twelve years ago, the British Empire entered the War, it behoves each one of us to pause and consider how far our obligations to the men who faced the fury of battle have been fulfilled.

In many ways efforts not unworthy of our national honour have been made to mitigate the privations of the thousands who returned—many of them maimed and shattered in health—to face another struggle hardly—less severe. But it is to supplement governmental action, to fill up the many gaps that exist, and to give assistance in the many hard cases of unforeseen calamity that I ask for support on a generous scale for the British Legion Appeal Fund.

Quietly, but effectively, this Fund is bringing renewed hope and comfort to the many thousands of ex-Service men of all ranks, who through no fault of their own are in distress, to their dependants, and to the widows and children of those who gave their lives. As recently as last Whit Sunday the Prince of Wales referred to the British Legion as "one of our greatest organisations for doing good."

I believe that the great majority of British men and women keep fresh in memory the debt due to those of my old comrades who to-day are in distress, and that they are sincere in their desire to prove their gratitude. In this belief I appeal most earnestly for generous support, so that the debt may be liquidated.

Cheques, made payable to "Earl Haig's British Legion Appeal Fund" and crossed Barclay & Co., should be sent to the Organising Secretary, (Captain W. G. Willcox, M.B.E.), Appeal Department, British Legion, 26, Eccleston Square, London, S.W.1.

Yours, etc.,
HAIG,
Field-Marshal.

London, Aug. 4.

RENT TREBLED.

GOVERNMENT DISPENSARY ISSUE.

THE CONTROL PROBLEM.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—I am very pleased indeed to see that others are taking up the cudgels on behalf of the public dispensary in Kowloon. If you, Sir, will kindly look at the register you will appreciate the work done by this Government institution. Many have recourse to it and will be sorry to see it go.

Supposing that it is argued that the Government does not mind a few hundred dollars more. Had a Fair Rents Board been established it will be the implied duty of the Government to appeal against the landlord's increase. There is a strong precedent. Some years ago, the landlord put up the rent of some premises at Wanchai, leased by the Government for housing sanitary coolies. Sir Edward Stubbs was so incensed that the Rents Restriction Ordinance followed.

Although you assure us that the dispensary may be incorporated with the Kowloon Hospital I strongly urge the Government to shut down on principle. If the house owner be so heartless there is no option. The public ought to be made to forego such a boon if it is too heartless to stand for rights. When such a situation arises, I have no sympathy for either the Government or the public.

Yours, etc.,
DISGUSTED.

Hongkong, August 19.

WOMEN'S AFFAIRS.

HUSBAND MIXED UP IN A FIGHT.

ALL BOUND OVER.

For interfering in women's affairs, a Chinese was bound over by the Central Magistrate this morning on a charge of disorderly conduct.

The man's wife and another woman, who were jointly charged with the same offence, and were really at the bottom of the trouble, each accused the other of assault which was stated to have arisen over a debt. One woman said that her husband took no part in the fight, and contradicted the other woman's statement by pointing out that it was her husband who blew a police whistle.

The women were also bound over to keep the peace for six months.

ASSAULT CASE.

REFUSED TO JOIN A GUILD.

ATTACKED WITH CHOPPER.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning with causing grievous bodily harm to two others.

Pleading guilty to the charge, defendant said that the complainants were the aggressors.

A dispute was stated to have arisen owing to an alleged refusal of the complainants to join a workmen's guild in the course of which the defendant slashed a man in the abdomen, necessitating his removal to hospital, and cut another in the back with a chopper. One of the complainants retaliated with a boat hook to such good purpose that defendant also had to enter hospital.

Defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

A BIRTHDAY.

LEADS TO POSTPONEMENT OF CASE.

LEGAL LATITUDE.

Even the process of the law may be temporarily obstructed by family considerations as was demonstrated at the Summary Court this morning when, in referring to a case which was to have been heard later in the day, Mr. W. E. Hind said that he had just been informed that plaintiff in the case had a birthday party on and would like an adjournment.

Mr. L. D. Turner, appearing for defendant, said that he had no desire to spoil the party.

Mr. Hind: It is a most important party.

His Lordship adjourned the case until a week to-day.

The case is one in which the Chinese landlord of 6 Kennedy Road claims $210 balance of rent alleged to be due from M. Albert Guetat, proprietor of the Albert Cafe.

NIGHT RAID.

LOTTERY TICKET PRINTERY FOUND.

TWELVE ARRESTS.

As a sequel to a raid carried out by Det-Sergeant Meadows and a party of police on a matshed hidden among trees on the hillside near Cape D'Aguilar Station, last night, twelve Chinese were charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning with being concerned in the printing of lottery tickets.

Three of the defendants were charged in addition with keeping a common gaming house for the purpose, but a question arose as to whether there was sufficient evidence on this point. Two of the men, however, were found to be old offenders, and were fined $100 each, or four weeks' hard labour, while the third, who was a proof reader and as such held a responsible position, was fined $50, or two weeks.

Two others were discharged, as they were merely servants, and the remainder received a fine of $25 each, or two weeks.

DID NOT KNOW.

USUAL EXCUSE IN ARMS CASE.

EMIGRANT FINED.

A Chinese gardener who had spent the greater part of his life in Australia pleaded that he was unaware of the regulations when charged before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning with unlawful possession of a revolver and 109 rounds of ammunition.

In answer to His Worship as to whether the regulations were posted up on the Japanese vessels, Inspector Pain said that he was not quite sure whether the arms notice was exhibited on the particular vessel by which the defendant arrived in the Colony, but it was pointed out that the arms were found in the false bottom of a wooden case claimed by the defendant at the Kin Shan wharf yesterday.

A fine of $250, or three months' hard labour, was imposed, and order was made for the arms to be confiscated.

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A rifle and 40 rounds of ammunition were found in the possession of a master of a junk at Deep Bay yesterday. He was arrested and charged this morning before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill at the Kowloon Magistracy, who imposed a fine of $100 or two months' hard labour in default.

EDITOR SHOT.

NO SEMBLANCE OF A TRIAL.

Peking, August 6.

Lin Pai-swai, aged about 50, and for the past five years editor and owner of the "Shoh Hui Jih Pao," a paper noted in Peking for its trenchant and outspoken editorials, was arrested at one o'clock this morning by Peking gendarmes under Commander Wang Chi, and executed at two o'clock at Tienchiao.

The arrest and execution were carried out by orders of General Chang Tsung-chang. The immediate cause of the arrest and execution is said to be an editorial in yesterday's issue of Mr. Lin's paper, which severely attacked not only a well-known political protege of Chang Tsung-chang but also attacked a famous Chinese military leader.

Mr. Lin was already asleep at one o'clock when the gendarmes came to his gate. In answer to their battering, his servants came to the entry to be told that Commander Wang of the gendarmerie wished to see him at headquarters. No time was given him even to dress. The soldiers took him off in his sleeping garments.

Apparently he was not given even the semblance of a trial but was at once hustled off and shot. His remains were coffined and put in the possession of his family, which took them to Lung Chuan Ssu, a temple in the south city.

The following public announcement was made by Commander Wang of the Peking gendarmerie:

"The public is hereby notified that, upon orders from Tupan Chang Tsung-chang, the manager of the "Shoh Hui Jih Pao" should be executed due to his confirmed connection with the enemy party. Besides abiding by the order, the public is to be told of the same.

(Signed) Wang Chi, commander, Metropolitan Gendarme Forces, August 6, 15th year of the Chinese Republic."

Mr. Lin was a native of Fukien. For many years he was in Shanghai. For the past twenty years he has been a journalist. His latest journalistic venture was over five years old. He also had been a member of the Chinese parliament.

The "Shoh Hui Jih Pao" was not as large as some of the other Peking Chinese papers but it is said to have been widely read, due to the often sensational character of Mr. Lin's editorials. In Chinese circles it is stated that Lin was in no way subsidised and had been thoroughly impartial in his attacks, adhering to no particular faction but critical of all of them when circumstances seemed, to him, to warrant such criticism.

He is the second newspaper editor to be executed since the present military regime in Peking has come into power. The other editor executed was Mr. Shao Piao-ping, editor of the former "Ching Pao." He also was arrested at night and executed without trial within a few hours.—"Chung Mei."

Another Editor Arrested.

Peking, August 7.

Chen She-wu, proprietor and editor of the "Shih Chieh Wan Pao" and the "Shih Chieh Jih Pao," was arrested by the local gendarmerie at three o'clock this morning and is now held in the headquarters of General Wang Chi, Commander of the gendarmerie. Efforts are being made by Chen's friends to save him from the fate which overtook Mr. Lin Pai-shui yesterday morning.

The arrest was effected by General Kang, Aide-de-camp to General Wang Chi, with the assistance of about thirty gendarmes. Chen had already gone to bed when the military visitors called at his house, but was wakened and carried to the headquarters in a motor car. It is not known what are the charges against him, as his two publications are rather friendly to the anti-Kuominchun cause.

Previous to the arrest of Mr. Chen, the gendarmes seized the "Ming Li Wan Pao" and took all the employees of the papers into custody. They made a thoroughgoing search of the editorial offices for Chen Chi-an, manager of the evening paper, but as Chen happened to be out, they failed to get hold of him. It is understood that Chen has fled to the Legation Quarters for safety.

The "Ming Li Wan Pao" was a recent addition to the family of evening papers in Peking and had a rather limited circulation. It was the first paper to publish the text of a circular telegram alleged to have been issued by General Sun Chuan-fang advocating peace. Whether this is the cause of the suppression of the paper remains to be seen.

The "Shih Chieh Jih Pao" and the "Shih Chieh Wan Pao" are probably two of the largest morning and evening papers in the capital. The evening edition may appear as usual this afternoon, as the military authorities did not suppress the two sister publications, although they have taken their manager into custody.—"Kuo Wen."

OLIVE BRANCH.

APPEAL TO PRESIDENT CALLES

TO END CONTROVERSY.

Mexico City, August 19.

The Archbishop of Mexico, on behalf of the entire Catholic denomination, has memorialised President Calles asking for freedom of conscience, instruction and Press, declaring that the Episcopate is actuated by the sincerest patriotism and desire for peace and requesting President Calles to use his influence to persuade Congress to change the religious clauses of the Constitution and the penalties for disobedience of the new regulations.

Simultaneously a group of twenty Mexico City businessmen sent a letter to President Calles and the Episcopate proposing that they should confer to settle the controversy.

ALLIED SUCCESSES.

WORKING FOR FALL OF KALGAN.

Peking, August 19.

The Allied troops claim successes on all fronts.

In conversation with Reuter's correspondent, a military officer, possessing the confidence of the Allied leaders, stated that the Allied plans at present were confined to the fall of Kalgan. If the Kuominchun troops retreat to the North-West the Allies would again discuss the situation.

Wu Pei-fu is apparently determined to continue the anti-"Red" campaign until the Kuominchun organisation is broken up, etc.

It is asserted that Sun Chuan-fang is working in full agreement with Wu Pei-fu. The latter is concentrating his campaign in the North." When that has been brought to a successful conclusion, Wu Pei-fu will return to Hankow to superintend operations against the Southern "Reds."

This is not meant as subjugation of Tang Seng-chi but that Wu will institute a campaign designed to oust the "Reds" from Canton.

Tang Chi-yao, Yunnan's Tuchun, has assured the Allies of his support in the campaign against the "Reds."

The Cabinet this morning resolved to elevate Chang Hsueh-liang to the rank of Marshal in recognition of his good work in the Nankow operations.—Reuter.

Hunanese Advance.

Hankow, August 19.

The Hunan troops, largely reinforced by Cantonese, yesterday commenced a general attack on the whole mile line. The attack is under the command of Tang Sengchi and Chiang Kai-shek, who are directing operations from Changsha, where they have established their headquarters.—Reuter.

ARSENAL AND MINT

REMOVED TO CHENCHOW BY GENERAL TANG.

Hankow, August 10.

The frequent rumours that the Munition Factory and the Mint in Changsha would be removed to Chenchow have turned out to be true, for General Tang Shengchieh's troops recently began removing the machines and materials in the two factories to Chenchow.

It is said that this move on the part of General Tang may be taken that he is making preparations in order to take up a position at Chenchow in case of emergency, in view of the fact that Marshal Wu Pei-fu's troops, taking advantage of the inactivity and impracticability of the movement of the Canton Revolutionary forces against the North and acting in concert with the navy in the Hslangkiang River, are threatening to invade Hunan from Kiangsi Province.—"Toho."

TROUBLE IN PERSIA.

OPPRESSION OF THE PEOPLE.

Meshed, August 2.

The Shah on his way to Meshed to study the situation in Khorasan arrested the General Officer commanding Meshed, which has caused satisfaction and surprise.

He has been accused of oppression, speculation and mutiny.

The Shah intends holding a big review at Birjandwhere Khawash and other neighbouring garrisons have been told to concentrate.

This led to a rumour among the excitable Surhad tribes that the Persian garrison will be withdrawn.

It is now probable that the concentration of troops will consequently be abandoned.

THEIR SECOND SUMMER THE HARDEST.

TEETHING and hot weather make their second summer a trying time for little ones. Summer disorder of stomach and bowels and infantile cholera may be quickly controlled and suffering relieved by Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. Easy to take in a little sweetened water. Always relieves. For sale everywhere.

TROLLEY BUSES.

ILLUMINATED CAR TO BE RUN TO-NIGHT.

UP TO DATE SINGAPORE.

Singapore, August 14.

At five-thirty this morning Singapore's first service of trolley buses came into operation, and thirty of these brightly-painted, capacious, and comfortable vehicles left the tramway depot according to their scheduled times to operate on the Geylang—Tanjong Pagar route.

To-night the Tramway Company will run a car illuminated with 650 lights arranged in various designs, and decorated in a suitable manner.

This car, which will run continuously over the tramway routes from 7.30 to 11 p.m., will be a striking advertisement for the new transport service.

The complete transformation of the present tram system will not be effected until 1928, when the Municipal programme of road reconstruction will be finished.

No alterations have been made in the schedule of fares now in operation.

EAST AND WEST.

MOVING ADDRESS TO STUDENTS.

Madras, July 26.

His Excellency the Governor of Madras and party, after a tour in the Madura and Ramnad districts, have left Kodaikanal for Ootacamund.

His Excellency addressing students of the High Clere School, which is run on American lines for the education of American missionaries' children at Kodaikanal about their future, said as follows: "There will be the call of the land of your adoption and there will be the call of your land in the West, but I would ask this of every one of you, that is to remember the days when you were brought up in this country, whether you come back to it, or whether you spend your life in the West, for remember this, that this great land in which you are now can only make progression in the future and can only develop to its fullness, as we hope it will, if the West extends to it the hand of friendship and if the East and West advance together in the spirit of understanding of one another, in the spirit of sympathy with one another, and in the spirit of the desire to help one another. So I venture to hope that all of you who have been brought up in India will remember this and in future life, whether you spend it here or in some other country, you will do your best to further and to encourage good relations between these two countries, out of gratitude for this country having been your early home, and because by so doing you will further the interests of these two great countries at the same time."

OBITUARY.

THE LATE CAPT. STACK.

Singapore, August 14.

The late Captain Frederick James Stack, whose death at the General Hospital we reported yesterday, came out to Singapore 27 years ago. He joined the Straits Steamship Company in 1906, and when he retired last year, owing to ill-health, he was one of the senior captain. Previous to joining the Straits Steamship Company he was connected with the now defunct Wee Bin and Co. and was in charge of many of their China boats. The funeral took place at Bidadari Cemetery yesterday afternoon, Archdeacon Swindell officiating. Besides the relatives, those present included:—Capt. J. Leighton, representing the Straits Merchant Service Guild, Capt. Weldon, the marine superintendent of the Straits Steamship Co., and Capt. J. Chalmers, senior boarding officer.—"Straits Times."

SOVIET WARNING.

NO EXCHANGE FOR KARAKHAN.

Peking, August 9.

"According to a report recently received by the Chinese Government with reference to the request made to the Moscow Government by the Chinese Government to change M. Karakhan, Soviet Ambassador to Peking, M. Chicherin, Foreign Commissar is reported to have replied in main as follows:—

"If China insists on the change of M. Karakhan on the plea of diplomatic relations between the two countries, there will be no alternative for the Soviet Government but to declare that the Soviet Government will cancel her recognition of the Chinese Government and wait for the establishment of a Central Government of China to deal with M. Karakhan."—"Toho News Agency."

A LITTLE REVOLT.

USUAL DIVERSION IN NICARAGUA.

GOVERNMENT UNEASY.

Washington, August 15.

The American Charge d'Affaires at Managua reports that the Nicaragua Government is despatching troops in various directions to suppress the revolutionaries.

Telegraphic and railway communications are interrupted.—Reuter.

ANTI-TOBACCO.

MOVE TO PREVENT WOMEN SMOKING.

Washington, Aug. 13.

W. M. Mahoney, secretary of the anti-cigarette league, announced to-day that a convention of the organisation had been called for August 25, at Winona Lake, Indiana. At the meeting a national campaign will be launched to seek legislation to prohibit women smoking and will attempt to prohibit all use of tobacco in any form. This is the first concerted anti-tobacco drive since the war, when the consumption of cigarettes increased fivefold owing to the demand from troops overseas and in training camps. The American consumption of cigarettes last year was about 75 billion. Fifteen years ago it was but seven billion.—"United Press."

MEXICAN MINERALS.

COAL LANDS ARE NATIONAL PROPERTY.

Mexico, City, Aug. 13.

The government ruled to-day that coal deposits are national property as it recently declared petroleum is the property of the nation which is not a landholder.

The new mining laws which have just become effective by publication declare that all commercially valuable minerals and precious stones are the property of the nation. The laws will tremendously affect the mining industry of Mexico in which hundreds of millions of dollars of American money are invested.

Apparently existing concessions will be affirmed although "foreign corporations under no circumstances can obtain mining concessions." Foreign individuals may obtain concessions only by waiving protection of their home governments insofar as Mexican investments are concerned.—Associated Press.

THE NEW TREATY.

LONDON PAPERS SAID TO BE ANGRY.

Rome, Aug. 14.

Local newspapers are giving unusual prominence to editorials from London newspapers denouncing the new Italo-Spanish treaty of friendship and co-operation signed three days ago by representatives of both governments.

The British viewpoint, as reflected in the Press, is that the treaty constitutes a serious menace against the peace of Europe in that it provides that Italy build warships for Spain. It is also a threat against the League of Nations, according to an excerpt taken from an editorial in the London "Daily Telegraph," "if it is true that the treaty contains a clause providing that in the event one signatory is attacked, the other will use its veto power in the council to prevent interference by the League.—United Press.

PROHIBITION.

POISONING OF ALCOHOL STUDIED BY COOLIDGE.

Summer White House, Aug. 13.

President Coolidge made a careful examination of the order issued by the bureau of prohibition enforcement instructing manufacturers of industrial alcohol to increase the amount of poison which the law requires to be mixed with alcohol to make it unfit for beverage purposes.

The President took cognisance of the great volume of protests lodged against the order on the ground that it was illegal for the government to poison a food product because its use was contrary to law. The President sent a great mass of newspaper clippings and correspondence, without comment, to Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Winston.—United Press.

BACON'S BILL.

NEW YORK "EVENING POST" LIKES IT.

A NEW FRIEND.

New York, Aug. 14.

Colonel Thompson's attitude toward the Bacon Bill, giving the Moros a separate government under American protection, will decide the fate of that measure, in the opinion of the New York "Evening Post", which publishes a long editorial to-day favouring the bill.

It expresses considerable doubt as to the value of the Thompson mission but is willing to wait until it is known whether the Colonel will favour or oppose the Bacon Bill. If he favours it, says the editorial, the mission will have been worth while; if he opposes or ignores it, he will have missed an opportunity. The writer says that with Colonel Thompson's recommendation, President Coolidge could come out openly in favour of the bill, which would fail without presidential support.

It says that the purposes and results of the mission are still uncertain and it is well to await the complete report before indulging in criticism. However, it continues, it would have been better if President Coolidge had sent ex-Governor Cameron Forbes or Newton Gilbert, who are more familiar with the Philippines and the Filipinos than Colonel Thompson.

"Commenting directly on the Bacon Bill it asks, "why shouldn't the United States take advantage of this opportunity to break the British and Dutch rubber monopoly?" It says that the bill, although ostensibly for the purpose of giving the Moros freedom, has for its chief interest, the production of rubber "but there is room for both Moros and rubber."—"United Press."

HUMBLE "SPUD."

MAY DISPLACE TASTY STRINGS IN ITALY.

Rome, August 11.

Perhaps Spaghetti and macaroni will face serious competition by the potato, if the plans of the Fascist Government work out successfully.

Beginning to-day restrictions were temporarily lifted on the importation of seed potatoes. The Government desires to increase the use of potato products in an attempt to induce the Italian people to forsake spaghetti and macaroni, which are made from wheat.

The Government has been anxious to cut down on wheat consumption as part of its economy campaign.—"China Press."

MACE ABSENT.

IS THE BUSINESS PASSED LEGAL?

CURIOUS SITUATION CREATED.

Poona, July 27.—A remarkable but apparently little-remarked incident occurred at to-day's sitting of the Bombay Legislative Council whose Monsoon session commenced yesterday.

The silver mace, which is usually placed on the Council Hall table during the sittings, was not so placed, perhaps because the President was absent through indisposition, the Vice-President taking the Chair instead. But after supplementary grants to the tune of nearly 20 lakhs had been passed, the mace was brought in.

The question was put whether business conducted without the mace was ultra vires or not, and does the mace indicate only the presence of the President or House in session, but no member, official or non-official, was able to throw light on the question when attention was drawn to the incident.

A free advertisement: crowds are seen daily at street corners in the concession, Kobe, watching the antics of small rubber ducks in a pail of water. The small ducks, which are sold at the phenomenal sum of 2 sen apiece, apparently move around in the water of their own volition and they dive and perform tail spins as well! Marvellous duck! The snag is that the water is dirty, but the casual observer does not observe that. And the ducks are tied to the tails of gold fish, whose frantic efforts to rid themselves of their floating burdens are responsible for the ducks' antics. This is a case for the attention of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals; the police also might not be remiss in taking a hand with this fakir.

A BREAKDOWN.

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agreement was possible and not necessarily to emphasise the points of difference. The statement continues:—

Mr. Smith further stated that an extension of hours was necessary for the successful operation of the mining industry and that a national agreement for the settlement and regulation of wages was regarded by the workmen as essential in the best interests of the indutsry as a whole. Further, the Federation was prepared, after consideration of possible measures for the reorganisation of the industry to consider then what wages were possible. He also intimated that consideration of these things might possibly lead to an application to the Government for some assistance pending the completion of schemes for reorganisation. Mr. Williams, for the coal owners, made it perfectly clear that it would be useless to proceed whilst there was such a divergence of views upon what they considered to be cardinal points. On the question of hours he said that they considered the lengthening of the working day absolutely necessary to the continuance of the industry, and that it was their intention to implement the Eight-Hours' Act, recently passed and to take full advantage of its provisions. On wages, Mr. Williams said that the Mining Association could not consider what wages would be payable as districts composing that body in unmistakable language refused to allow anyone to determine the terms and conditions upon which work can be resumed in districts except by direct negotiations with the representatives of their own men in the districts.

The Miners' statement concludes with a passage declaring the owners 'attitude to be equivalent to a demand for direct surrender, and calling upon the miners to stiffen resistance and asking the public for support.—British Wireless Service.

Appeal for Funds.

London, later.

The Trade Unions Congress has decided to appeal to the British Trade Unions and the International Federation of Trade Unions to organise a campaign for financial assistance from the Continental Unions. Trade Unions Congress representatives are going to Amsterdam for this purpose.—Reuter.

No Government Intervention.

London, later.

The Government does not intend to intervene in the coal dispute without a request by the parties.

Sir. A. Steel-Maitland has been delegated to act for the Government in any situation that may arise during the Recess. If the situation is unchanged, then developments are probable when the House of Commons re-assembles on August 30 to confirm the Emergency Regulations.—Reuter.

Important Move.

London, later.

An important move is reported from Notts. The coalfield delegates, representing between 12,000 and 14,000 miners, have accepted the terms of the Bolsover Colliery Company of 7½ hours and the old wages arrangements. Signing on is commencing immediately.

The Derbyshire and others Notts owners have decided to open their pits on the same terms.—Reuter.

Little Surprise.

London, Later.

Little surprise is expressed in the newspapers at the coal breakdown. Satisfaction, however, is felt that the conference was held as it has served to prove to the Government and the nation that the owners and miners stand exactly where they did a year ago, which some writers declare is precisely the intention of the miners' leaders, in order to throw the onus of action on to the Government.

The "Westminster Gazette" and "Daily News" boldly assert than the responsibility now lies with the Government. The former is wondering whether it is not a duty for Mr. Baldwin to propose or impose machinery, whereby the parties can be compelled to submit their claims to arbitration.

The "Daily Herald" demands Government action.

The "Daily Express" and the "Daily Graphic" suggest that a way out could be found by the miners themselves returning to work in the districts, thus giving the leaders a choice between a settlement and a smashed Federation.—Reuter.

A FAMILY NECESSITY.

EVERY family should be provided with Chamberlain's Pain Balm at all times. Sprains may be cured in much less time when promptly treated. Lame back, lame shoulders, pains in the side and chest and rheumatic pains are some of the diseases for which it is especially valuable. It can be purchased everywhere.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

ANN HATHAWAY.—We agree, but what would you? Please send your name and address.

The Lord Mayor of London has announced that the collections in London on "Alexandra Day" amounted approximately to £48,000, which is £5,000 better than last year.

The "Times's" Madrid Correspondent states that the Board of the Ateneo Club, all except Dr. Maranon, were released after spending a week in the model prison. There are still some 40 political prisoners there, besides the officers in the military prison.

Washington, August 12.—The Federal Reserve Board announced to-day, after receipt of reports from member banks, "that the prosperity shown by industrial production during the first half of 1926 exceeds any previous corresponding period, including the post-war years of 1919 and 1920. The reports showed a production far in advance of any predictions made earlier in the year.

Fast trips between Singapore and New York are being made these days. The Javanese Prince reached New York from Singapore in 37 days. The Blue Funnel steamer "Calchas," which arrived in Singapore on August 12, was despatched from New York on July 8, via Penang and Port Swettenham, and thus completed the trip from New York to Singapore in 34 days.

When the Norwegian vessel "Daviken" arrived at Singapore from Hoihow, with 1,020 immigrants on board, the master reported that two deaths had occurred on the voyage. The ship was inspected by the port health authorities; four cases of cholera were discovered, and all the deck passengers were sent to the quarantine station, where one of the patients susequently died and a fifth case of cholera occurred.

According to a rule issued by the F.M.S. Chief Secretary, "any postal article received at a Post Office addressed to 24, Shen Khy'e Yuan, Fei Ching Studio, No. 83, Kuling Road, Shanghai, by their own or fictitious or assumed names or to any agent or representative of theirs shall not be conveyed by post but shall be sent by the Director, P. and T. to the Director, Criminal Intelligence Branch, F.M.S. Police for disposal."

Tokyo, August 5.—The Home Office announces that 490 labour disputes, involving 36,000 labourers and including 152 strikes, occurred during the first half of this year. This indicated an increase of 340 over the same period of last year.

Rome, August 11.—The authorities to-day refused to issue permits to 630 pilgrims on the way to the fete of Madonna del Sasso in Switzerland. Last week 800 pilgrims also were stopped at the frontier. Switzerland's hotel keepers are getting anxious.

Shanghai August 12.—The price of rice, which has been advancing steadily at the rate of 10 cents a day for the last four days, yesterday took a 40 cent jump and closed with quotations at from $16.80 to $18.80 per picul. A week ago yesterday the price was $15.70 to 17.70 per picul.

H.M.S. "Plover," used as a hulk at Gibraltar, is to be placed on the sale list for breaking up. For many years the "Plover" has been employed on harbour service at Gibraltar. She was one of a class of gunboats launched in 1888 at Pembroke, and at the beginning of the century was serving in China. Although of only 755 tons, the "Plover" mounted six 4-in. guns.

The Ministry of Finance has handed down a set of regulations governing the examination of the capital of Chinese banks, together with the instructions that no official ratification for the opening of any banks should be given, unless a thorough investigation is made as to their capital in accordance with the stipulations. This step is taken as a precaution against unscrupulous merchants organising banks with little capital thus creating disorder in the financial market.

Sheffield police force boasts of a constable, Charles Milner, who has just joined up after taking degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws at Cambridge University. He appeared in his first case recently. With other officers he made a raid on a local hotel, where betting was being carried on. Milner told the Court that the place had the atmosphere of "betting" when he entered. The licensee was fined £30, a book-maker £50, while fines totalling another £50 were imposed on frequenters.

Another new case of enteric fever was notified on Thursday. The patient was a Chinese from the city.

A Nationalist resolution requesting the Bavarian Government to make representations to the Reich Government with a view to the re-examination of the Dawes Report has been adopted unanimously by the Bavarian Diet.

Berlin, August 11.—Perhaps the ex-Kaiser is beginning to fear that another vote on the question of confiscating his properties may not turn out well for him, for to-day, his attorney general, suggested new negotiations. He hinted at a possible compromise in his answer to a letter of the Prussian Premier, Herr Brauns.

The "Observer" understands that the Wembley Exhibition site will be developed as a self-contained industrial unit. Two of the largest buildings are virtually sold to an American motor manufacturing company, which is not Ford's, which will provide housing for thousands of its British employees.

As a sequel to a caning administered by his father, a Tamil schoool-boy, aged 16, named Raju, attempted to commit suicide by drinking about an ounce of iodine. He was unable to speak and was sent to the hospital. He was charged before Mr. W. J. H. Hughes, the Kuala Lumpur magistrate, and was bound over in $50 for three months to come up for judgment if called upon.

Vice-Admiral Crawford Maclachlan, C.B., has been placed on the retired list, at his own request, in order to facilitate the promotion of junior officers. Vice-Admiral Maclachlan first saw service as a naval cadet of the Agincourt during the Egyptian War of 1882, and was in China during the Boxer outbreak in 1900. He served on the Admiralty Committee on Berthing Accommodation of his Majesty's ships at home ports in 1910. Promoted to flag rank in 1920, he held the post of Rear-Admiral, Reserve Fleet, Rosyth, until the following year, afterwards being appointed Senior Officer, Yangtse. In the late war Admiral Maclachlan was a Grand Fleet Captain in the Royal Oak at the Battle of Jutland.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mrs. Ross, the wife of Mr. S. H. Ross of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, has given birth to a daughter at the Peak Hospital.

The Rev. and Mrs. Frank T. Woodward, who are residents of Cheung Chau Island, have been congratulated on the birth of a daughter.

Mr. William Nowell, the Assistant-Director of Agriculture in Trinidad, has been promoted to be Director of Agriculture in British Guiana.

Sympathy will be extended to Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wilson in the loss of their first child, which died yesterday morning, shortly after birth. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at Happy Valley.

Professor J. Anderson of the Hongkong University and Dr. Arthur Woo were passengers on the s.s. "Empress of Asia" which left Hongkong yesterday for the North. They will represent Hongkong at the joint conference of the China Medical Association and British Medical Association at Peking.

The death occurred at the General Hospital, Singapore, on August 12 of Captain Frederick James Stack, who was a well-known figure in local shipping circles. The late Captain Stack, who was 66 years of age, came up from Australia twenty years ago and took charge of one of the ships operated by the Ho Hong Steamship Company. Twelve years ago he joined the Straits Steamship Company and was in the Kinta when he retired fifteen months ago on account of ill-health.

Friends of Mr. C. M. McDonald, editor of the "China Mail," will be pleased to learn that he is recovering from the effects of an accident, while on his way Home on leave. He was a passenger on the s.s. "Largs Bay." Entering the Gulf of Aden, the ship was in a heavy sea and Mr. McDonald was thrown so badly that he broke two ribs near the spine. The heat and pain were very trying but recovery was quick and Mr. McDonald on July 25 expected to be able to go ashore at Port Said. He is now in London.

Mr. J. Hansell, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Sungei Patani, has been transferred to Singapore.

Dr. Bridges has now taken charge of the Kedah Government's Garden, which has been started for planting vegetables on Kedah Peak.

A message to Geneva from "Sofia" says the betrothal of King Boris of Bulgaria and Princess Giovanna of Italy is considered an accomplished fact, though it has not yet been officially announced.

Sir Charles K. Mackellar, president of the Bank of New South Wales, and formerly Medical Adviser to the New South Wales Government has died at the age of 82. He devoted his life to the care of the neglected children of the State.

The fall of the roof of the Indian Infantry Officers' Mess House at Crater, Aden, on June 26, which killed Captain MacG. Spence, also caused injuries to Captain Denyer, who is now in hospital. Two other officers who were present escaped injury.

The executive committee of the board of governors of the League of Red Cross Societies has conferred the title of Honorary Director-General upon Sir Claude Hill, formerly Director-General of the League and now Lieutenant-Governor of the Isle of Man.

A duel with swords has been fought at Bois-de-Colombes, just outside Paris, between M. Robert Zevaco, a writer, and M. Suajo-Alvarez, an art critic. After a lively exchange, M. Suajo-Alvarez was wounded in the right shoulder and the seconds stopped the duel, after which the two adversaries declared themselves reconciled and shook hands.

Rear-Admiral Harry Hesketh Smyth, C.M.G., D.S.O., has died at Sway, Hants, aged 54. He joined H.M.S. "Britannia" in 1885 and became a captain in 1914. During the war he commanded a number of ships, and in 1925 was promoted Rear-Admiral. He was mentioned twice in dispatches, and in 1917 was awarded the C.M.G. and the D.S.O. He was also made an Officer of the Legion of Honour.

Mr. Hilaire Belloc was on his yacht "Norda" when it ran on the rocks near Folkestone. The vessel refloated on the rising tide.

Dr. J. J. W. Tillyard, Professor of Russian at Birmingham University, has been appointed to the Chair of Greek at Cardiff University.

Mr. Herbert Monckton, who died at Maidstone within a few days of his 87th birthday, was town clerk of Maidstone for 34 years, his father having previously held the same office for 37 years.

As a memorial to the late Lord Cheylesmore, the London County Council has consented to an ornamental garden, with fountain, in the Victoria Embankment Gardens, near the Belgian Memorial.

Mr. J. W. Lee, who died in Canton of cholera, is survived by his father, Mr. John Lee, of 1 Ventris Road, a police pensioner who is probably the oldest European in Hongkong. Mr. John Lee arrived in Hongkong in August 1864 (just before the arrival of the late Sir Paul Chater) joining the Police Force the same year. He is now 83 years of age and lives with his wife in Ventris Road. The late Mr. J. W. Lee was their fifth and youngest child, and the aged couple have survived them all.

Emperors have not generally lost their thrones through humanitarianism, yet it is true that Dom Pedro II. of Brazil was deposed in 1889 chiefly on account of the feeling against him for having brought about the emancipation of the slaves. He had reigned nearly fifty years, having succeeded his father in 1840 at the age of 15. To-day some Brazil republicans remember him with honour, and indeed in 1889 they offered to compensate him for the property which he had held in Brazil as Emperor, which he in turn magnanimously refused. Among his private possessions was a cross composed of twelve large brilliants, which apparently passed into the ownership of the family of an English lady of title, who sent it to Christie's. It had evidently been reset, and was valued at a last bid of £2,950.

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INTERPORT TRIAL.

The following are the League games down for decision:—

Second Division.

Craigengower C.C. v. Club de Recreio.

Taikoo R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.

R.H.K. Yacht Club v. East Point R.C.

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The three League games down for decision to-morrow are those which were not played on the second Saturday in the season. Altogether there should be four, the Kowloon Cricket Club being due to meet the Indian Recreation Club, but the latter, through sickness amongst their players, are unable to raise a team. They have therefore conceded the points.

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The game Craigengower—Indians which should have been played last Saturday has been abandoned, and in this case also the Indians have forfeited the points. The League table under has been amended to include these two points.

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Craigengower will be at home to the Club de Recreio. It will be remembered that three weeks ago these teams met on the same ground, the Recreio proving victorious. Craigengower will be out to avenge this defeat, but they will have to play very hard indeed.

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Taikoo are at home to the Civil Service. They lost to the Civil Service in the previous game at Taikoo by a very large margin. Taikoo are now out of the running for championship honours, but they will give their opponents to-morrow a good and sporting game.

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The Yacht Club receive the East Point Club and on present form the visitors are expected to win and so further enhance their chances of securing the championship. It is highly probable that their outstanding game with the Indians will be cancelled and the points conceded, in which event, providing the Kowloon C.C. beat the Craigengower next week, they will tie for top place and a play off will be necessary.

To-morrow on the Kowloon Cricket Club green the first Interport trial game will be played for the annual contest with Shanghai. The players will assemble at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club at 3.30 p.m. and afterwards proceed to the Cricket Club green.

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Inter-Departmental Game.

The game between the Public Works Department and the Prison Department in the above competition will take place on the Police green on Sunday, commencing at 4 p.m. sharp. The winners of this game meet the Education Department in the semi-final.

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LEAGUE TABLES.

The following are the positions in the League to date:—

DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	P.
Taikoo R.C.	10	8	0	2	16
Kowloon Dock	10	7	0	3	14
Craigengower C. C.	10	7	0	3	14
Civil Service	10	4	1	5	9
Kowloon B.G.	10	2	0	8	4
Police R.C.	10	1	1	8	3

Shots for and Against.

	For	Agst	Up	Dn.
Taikoo R.C.	655	520	135	0
Kowloon D.R.C.	586	533	53	0
Craigengower C.C.	614	565	49	0
Civil Service	559	580	0	21
Kowloon B.G.	525	602	0	77
Police R.C.	493	632	0	139

DIVISION II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	P.
Kowloon C.C.	12	9	0	3	18
East Point R.C.	12	9	0	3	18
Taikoo R.C.	12	8	0	4	16
Civil Service C.C.	13	7	1	4	15
R.H.K. Yacht Club	12	5	0	7	10
Craigengower C. C.	12	5	0	7	10
Club de Recreio	12	3	1	8	7
Indian R.C.	11	1	0	10	2

Shots for and Against.

	For	Agst	Up	Dn.
Kowloon C.C.	785	641	144	0
East Point R.C.	751	615	136	0
Taikoo R.C.	718	679	39	0
Civil Service R.C.	749	743	6	0
R.H.K. Yacht Club	727	727	0	0
Craigengower	618	624	0	6
Club de Recreio	634	751	0	117
Indian R.C.	489	691	0	202

BASEBALL NOTES.

WERE ANY TIPS GAINED FROM P.I. "STARS?"

BRING BACON HOME.

The "All-Filipino" baseball stars came, saw and conquered. Hongkong was utterly crushed. Now the tourists have embarked on their invasion of Japan.

Local "fans" can at least pride themselves on the fact that a solitary run was scored against the visitors' 46, and that by a new convert to the game.

Satisfaction was expressed all round for the fine weather during the stay of the visitors, and for their rattling display. Our players have been given a few "tips" which they will no doubt use for the improvement of baseball in the Colony.

Fresh Worlds to Conquer?

Before leaving Manila, Mariano Sangle and his bunch of huskies promised to "bring home the bacon" when they returned. They have had their slice at Hongkong and it remains to be seen how they will fare in their meetings in Japan where the game has been seriously taken up by the Universities.

The "All-Filipinos" are booked to play 12 games against leading Japanese nines in Osaka and Tokyo, but may extend their stay should they come through this series with good results. Their opponents are as under:—

Balance of Tour.

At Tokyo—to be played at Keiwo and Waseda University grounds, under the auspices of Keiwo University:—

August 28 vs. Keiwo University.
August 29 vs. Waseda University (or Meiji).
August 31 (Emperor's birthday) vs. Meiji University.
Sept. 1 vs. Waseda University (or Rikkyo).
Sept. 2 vs. Meiji University.
Sept. 4 vs. Keiwo University.
Sept. 5 vs. Keiwo University.

At Osaka—to be played at Koshien grounds, under the management of the Chuwo-Undoh-Sha (Central Sports Association):—

Sept. 11 vs. Keiwo University.
Sept. 12 vs. Keiwo University.
Sept. 15 vs. Kyoto University (at University grounds).
Sept. 18 vs. Daimai.
Sept. 19 vs. Daimai.

Week-end Programme.

The matches arranged for the week-end among our local league "giants" and standings are as under:—

Saturday, 2.30 p.m.—South China v. Club de Recreio; 4.30 p.m.—Hongkong Baseball Club v. H.K.V.D.C.

Sunday, 4 p.m.—Filipinos v. Japanese.

LEAGUE TABLE.

The League table now stands at:—

	W.	L.	Pct.
South China	9	1	.900
Japanese	7	2	.777
Club de Recreio	4	4	.500
Filipinos	4	6	.400
Defence Corps	2	7	.222
H.K. Baseball Club	2	8	.200

DEMPSEY'S FIGHT.

EXPECTED TO "TAKE" TWO MILLIONS.

New York, Aug. 19.

Mr. Tex Rickard announces that Dempsey and Tunney will fight at the Holding Stadium, Philadelphia on September 23. The bout will consist of ten rounds to a decision and the receipts are expected to reach two million dollars. It is noteworthy that boxing is legal in Pennsylvania, so no further hitch is anticipated.—Reuter's American Service.

WATER POLO TEAM.

H.K.V.D.C. orders state:—

The following will represent the Defence Corps against the V.R.C. on Saturday, August 21 at the V.R.C. First Evening Fête at 9.15 p.m. The match will take place at the end of the programme and it is hoped that as many Volunteers as possible will turn up and give their support:—

Spr. A. A. George, Pte. Garrod, Pte. Razavet, Gr. E. W. Railton, Pte. Duncan, Pte. Brodie and Pte. Knight.

LEAGUE TENNIS.

To-morrow Club de Recreio will receive the Hongkong C.C., in division "C" of the tennis league, start at 4.30 p.m. The H.K.C.C. team will be:—S. M. Garrard and A. C. Howell, W. L. Smith and K. A. Mason, M. M. Watson and F. T. Orr.

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ENGLAND'S MOTOR-CYCLE SUCCESS.

RELIABILITY TRIALS.

Rugby, August 19.

In the six days' international motor-cycle reliability trials now being contested in the North of England, a mishap to a Gubelas side-car put Germany out of the international team competition and England retains the international trophy for the third consecutive year. — British Wireless Service.

DAVIS CUP.

AMERICA SELECTS HER TEAM.

FOR CHALLENGE ROUND.

New York, August 19.

The U. S. Lawn Tennis Association has selected the team to represent America in the challenge round of the Davis Cup competition this year.

The players who will meet the winners of the inter-zone final are: W. T. Tilden, W. M. Johnston, Vincent Richards and R. Norris Williams who is captain.—Reuter's American Service.

HOME SOCCER.

ANOTHER SCOTTISH LEAGUE MATCH.

RANGERS VICTORIOUS.

London, August 19.

In division I of the Scottish Football League to-day, Rangers (playing at home) defeated Dunfermline by 2 goals to nil.—Reuter.

COUNTY CRICKET.

MATCH IN LESS THAN TWO DAYS.

FOUR LOW SCORES.

A county cricket match (extending over three days) has been finished early on the second day.

The verdict was 8 runs and the total score for the four innings was less than 150 runs!

London, Aug. 19.

At Swansea, Glamorgan lost to Gloucestershire by 8 runs. Scores:—

Gloster (1st) 89 runs. Mercer took 8 wickets for 39 runs.

Glamorgan (1st) 120 runs. Parker took 5 for 48.

Gloster (2nd) 133 runs. J. C. Clay took 4 for 30 and Ryan 5 for 55.

Glamorgan (2nd) 94 runs. Parker took 7 wickets for 49.—Reuter.

Parker was an easy first in the race for 100 wickets this season. The 12 cheap victims in this match will enhance his average and he should now be on the way towards a bag of 200.

Earlier in the season, Glamorgan defeated Gloucester, playing away. This is a return match.

Other Fixtures.

Other matches which are being played now (results and table in to-morrow's "China Mail") are:—

Middlesex v. Kent, at Lord's.

Warwick v. Surrey, at Birmingham.

Yorkshire v. Hants, at Harrogate.

Derby v. Northants, at Chesterfield.

Sussex v. Lancashire, at Brighton.

Notts v. Worcester, at Trent Bridge.

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The Brighton match has been set aside as a benefit for Roberts, the Sussex all-rounder. He first played for the county in 1911. Up to the end of last season he had made 2,281 runs and taken 336 wickets. His highest score was 124 not out, v. Worcester, at Hove.

TEST SOUVENIR.

TAKING A BIT OF THE "OVAL HOME.

London, Aug. 19.

The Oval this morning was a model of tidiness, after the ground staff having worked their hardest in removing cart loads of litter, including an extraordinary number of articles of clothing, umbrellas and walking sticks left by excited enthusiasts yesterday evening.

There was a deep hole, six inches square, cut into the turf outside one of the creases, and the groundsman explained that this was caused owing to the fact that the Australians wished to take a piece of the famous wicket home. The Oval authorities gladly obliged.

H. L. Collins (the Australian skipper) told the groundsman that the wicket was the most wonderful on which he had yet played.—Reuter.

CAPT. DOLLAR.

VIEWS ON THE CANTON BOYCOTT.

TRADE IN THE PACIFIC.

Capt. Robert Dollar, the founder of the modern American shipping industry, and the head of the Dollar Steamship Line and its associated companies, arrived in Singapore on August 10 on board one of his own round-the-world ships, the "President Van Buren," and left on the same vessel on August 12. He will proceed to London, and visit his relatives in Scotland.

In spite of his advanced age of 83, Capt. Dollar maintains close personal supervision over his many interests, and he is still the directing force behind them. His policy is one of progress and development, as he showed when he startled the shipping world by founding the President service, and his faith in the future of shipping and trade in the Pacific was proved clearly enough by his recent purchase of the fleet of the Admiral Oriental Line, running between Seattle and Manila.

One of those ships will be added to the President fleet, thus enabling the company to run an uninterrupted round-the-world fortnightly service all the year round, while the other four ships will be kept on their present run.

A national hero in America, Mr. Dollar is one of the dominating figures in the commerce of the Pacific, and he never ceases to preach his faith in the future of the Pacific ports. He has done a great deal to maintain good relations between America and China, and between America and all the nations of the world, while his Scottish ancestry has always made him a good friend of Great Britain.

Captain Dollar in Singapore.

Chatting with a "Straits Times" representative in the Dollar offices in the Hongkong Bank Building, Singapore, Capt. Dollar said that since he was last in Singapore fifteen months ago the world shipping situation could not be said to have improved to any noticeable extent, although it was a little steadier. The position in the Pacific was materially better, and trade in that area was increasing all the time. He thought that that improvement would be maintained, and that the centre of the world's commerce would eventually shift to the Pacific.

"I was really glad when the British Government changed their plans and decided to proceed with the naval base at Singapore," Capt. Dollar remarked. He recalled that when he was last in Singapore the Labour Government in Great Britain had postponed the scheme, and he stated that he was convinced of the necessity of the base, considering the situation of Singapore at the western entrance to the Pacific. With the eastern entrance of the Pacific, the Panama Canal, in the hands of America, and Singapore owned by the British he thought that peace in the Pacific would be assured.

Naval Base and Japan.

"I do not think that the naval base scheme has caused ill-feeling in Japan," said Capt. Dollar. "The Japanese have changed their policy; they found they were going too fast; and I do not think that their present programme is an aggressive one. If you had asked me that question four or five years ago I might have given a very different answer, but a more liberal, level-headed attitude is noticeable in Japan now."

Americans with interests in the Pacific were in favour of the Singapore base, Capt. Dollar said, but the American people as a whole were not foreign traders. "If you go into the interior of America and talk about foreign trade, they will look at you askance," he remarked, "but if you look at Panama and Singapore, and see what lies between them—pretty well half the population of the world—and consider the increasing importance of Pacific commerce, you realise the importance of the Singapore base."

Canton Boycott.

Capt. Dollar said he had great faith in the development of trade in the Pacific, and he pointed out that last year, with all the fighting in China, the commerce of that country increased fifteen per cent.

He had been much disheartened to find the boycott still in operation in Hongkong and the effects of it could be clearly seen. There was a considerable amount of business being done, but nothing like the volume transacted under normal conditions. He could not say that opinion in Hongkong was either optimistic or pessimistic regarding the settlement of the boycott, but he did not think that even if the boycott was maintained Hongkong could be eliminated as the distributing centre of South China.

Very considerable industrial development was taking place in Japan, Capt. Dollar pointed out, and her trade with America was increasing greatly. America still remained Japan's most important buyer of silk, and Japan took most of her timber from the States in return, but the machinery which the latter used to furnish in such large quantities was now being manufactured to an increasing extent in Japan.

America and War Debts.

Touching on the war debts, the veteran shipping magnate said that his personal view was that they ought to be paid, and he did not think that any change in the attitude of the American people could be expected.

He did not suppose for a moment that any extreme measures would be adopted to ensure collection of those debts, but the Americans believed that money borrowed by nations should be repaid in the same way that debts between individuals were repaid.

Hero of "Cappy Ricks" Yarns.

Capt. Dollar's genial personality is better known to the public through the medium of the writer, Peter Kyne, who has made him his hero, Cappy Ricks, who figures in a series of stories dealing with life in the lumber fields and shipping circles in America.

An incident which indicates the qualities of courage and enterprise which have brought Capt. Dollar his success is told of his early days when, as a skipper stranded without a cargo in the Philippines, he risked taking a cargo of copra on his return to San Francisco—the first of its kind to be taken there. It caught on, with the result that its export here has reached twenty million gold dollars a year.

Capt. Dollar corrected the statement attributed to him that he expected to live another twenty years. "What I did say," he added, "was that twenty years would pass before I quit work and resign."

How much longer he would live after that he did not say.

DEFENCE CORPS.

ORDERS FOR THE WEEK ISSUED.

ANOTHER CONCERT.

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Orders by Major Melville Smith, M.B.E., Administrative Commandant read:—

War Medals.

If there are still any members of the Corps who consider themselves entitled to War Medals in respect of the Great War, and are uncertain as to whom they should apply for them, instructions can be furnished from this Corps Headquarters on application.

Engineer Company.

Wireless Signal Section will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, August 23. All members are asked to make a special effort to attend. Dress: Mufti.

Armoured Car Company.

All Officers, together with C. S. M. Hancock and Sergt. Groves, are requested to attend a meeting at Headquarters on Monday, August 23 at 6 p.m., to discuss the Training Season Programme, 1926-1927.

Drivers: Ptes. V. R. Jones and A. R. Kinross will attend at Corps Headquarters on Monday, August 23, at 5.30 p.m., to pass in driving.

Strength.

The following is taken on the strength on August 16, and posted to the Artillery Company:—No. 1067 Gunner M. P. Concannon, M.C.

Transfer.

No. 674 Pte. W. M. Lyons, No. 1 Platoon, is permitted to transfer to the Mounted Infantry Company, as from September 1.

Leave.

No. 68 Pte. N. V. A. Croucher, Mounted Infantry Company, is granted sick leave from August 9, to April 15.

Promenade Concert.

The Infantry Company will hold a Promenade Concert on the Parade Ground at Corps Headquarters on Friday, September 24, 1926. Tickets: 50 cents each, may be obtained at Headquarters.

MERCANTILE BANK.

NEW BUILDING IN RAFFLES SQUARE.

SINGAPORE BRANCH.

We understand that a new block of offices is to be built in Raffles Square on the site now occupied by the Mercantile Bank of India.

The Mercantile Bank are acquiring about 9,000 square feet of land from Alkaff and Co., this being about half of the block between Cecil Street and Raffles Square, and they propose to build new offices there.

The property is in trust, and the vendors will have to obtain an order of the Court before the sale can be completed but this is said to be merely a formality.

The Mercantile Bank whose present offices occupy an area of only 3,300 square feet, have been continuously in these offices since 1857, first as the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China, and, since 1892 under their present title.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, AUGUST 20, 1926, 10.30 a.m.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association.	Estate Brokers' Share & Real Society.
T.T. on London	2/1 7/8	2/ 7/8	2/1 7/8
T.T. on Shanghai	76-7/8	76-7/8	nom.
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1100 b	1110 b	1100 b
do. London	£126 n	—	£126 n
Chartered Bank	£20¾ b.	£20¾ o.	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	£30½ n.	£30 ½ n.	—
do. C.	£13⅜ n.	£13½ n.	—
P. & O. Bank	£9¾ b.	£10 b.	—
Bank of East Asia	$84 n.	$84 b.	$83 n.
Marine Insurances.			
Canton Insurance	625 s.	625 s	$640 s.
China Underwriters	1.80 n.	1.90 b	1.70 s.
North China Insurance	T145 n.	T140 n.	—
Union Insurance	288 s 286 sa	288 s	$285 b
Yangtze Insurance	35 b.	40 n.	—
Fire Insurances.			
China Fire Insurance	200 b.	210 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	620 n	620 b.	620 n.
Shipping.			
Douglases	25 b.	25¾ b.	25 n.
Hongkong Steamboats	26¼ n	26¼ b. 26½ s	26¼ n
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	1½ n	2 b.	2 s
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	30 n.	30 n.	30 n.
do. (Def.) L'd.	40/- n.	—	40 s.
do. (,,) Hk.	—	40 n.	—
Oriental Navigation	—	—	—
Shell Transports	88 - n.	92/6 n.	90/- n.
Star Ferries	67 s	64 b 65 s.	$65 s
Water-boats	15¾ n	15 s.	14 b.
Refineries.			
China Sugars	24 s	24 s.	23 s
Malabon Sugars	36 n.	36 n	36 n
Mining.			
Benguets	1½ n.	—	—
Kaflan Mining Ad.	40/- n.	42/6 n.	47/6 n
Langkats (Combined)	23 b.	T23 b.	T23 b.
do. (Single)	12½ n.	12 n.	—
Shanghai Exploration	4.40 b 5 s	5 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	7 n	6½ n.	—
Raubs	$4¾ n	$5 s.	4 s
Tronoh Mines	7/- b	6/- b.	—
Ural Gaspians	8/- n.	—	—
Docks, Wharves Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	$110 s	117 n	$118 s
H.K. & W. Docks	54½ b 55 sa	55 b	55 b
Hongkews	T174 b	—	170 b.
New Engineerings	5.90 b	T6 b.	5¾ b.
Shanghai Docks	110 b	111 b	110 b
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	10¾ s.	10 b 10¼ s	10.40 s
do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	60 b	60b 61 s	60 s
H.K. Realty	7½ b 8 s	7¼ b 7½ s	7 b.
H.K. Territorial	5 s.	4 s.	4 s
Humphreys Estates	13.60 n	13½ b 14 s	13½ s
Princes Building	89 s	87 s.	—
Rural Lands	1½ b.	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	9.15 b	T9 40 b	T9.30 b.
Orientals	2½ b	2 60 b	2½ b
Shanghai Cottons (old)	52 b.	53 b.	52 b.
do. (new)	27 b.	28 b.	26 b.
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ices	$7½ n.	$5 s.	$ 7 n
Cements (comb.)	13½ s	14¼ n.	11½ s
do. (old)	12 s.	10½ n.	9½ s
do. (new)	1¾ s.	2½ n.	2 s
China Buses	10½ b.	—	—
China Lights (comb.)	19 b	18½ b 19 s	19 n
do. (old)	13¼ n	13½ s	13½ n
do. (new)	11 n	10 n	10½ n
China Prov. (comb.)	—	—	—
do. (old)	5.30 b	5½ n	5¼ b
do. (new)	—	—	—
Dairy Farms	16¾ s	16 n	16 n
Ewo A Wing (full pd.)	6 s.	7 s	—
do. (part pd.)	—	—	—
Hongkong Amusements	10½ b.	10¾ b.	—
H.K. Constructions	2¾ n	3 s	3½ s.
Hongkong Electrics	64 b	64 n	64 s
H.K. Developments	10 cts s	5 cts. s	—
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	26 s.	—	30 n
do. (old)	10 s.	10 n.	10 n
do. (new)	5 s.	5 n	5 n
Hongkong Tramways	24 b 24½ s	24 b 24 20 sa	24 b 24.15 sa
Lane, Crawfords	9 n. [24 sa	7½ b 8 s.	8½ s
Macao Electrics	35 n	—	—
Mackintosh	10½ n.	—	—
Nanyang Tobaccos	—	13 n.	—
Peak Trams (old)	15¾ n.	16½ s.	17 n.
do. (new)	7.00 n.	8 n.	7½ s.
Saceres	11 n.	9½ b.	9½ n.
Singapore Trams	10⅜ b 12 s	11/6 b.	—
Taxis	3 s.	3 s.	2 s
United Asbestos	20 n.	—	—
(Founders)	—	600 n.	—
do. (Ordinary)	—	18 n.	—
Watsons (old)	13¼ n.	13 sa	13 s
do. (new)	—	—	—
Wm. Powells	6½ n	5 b 5½ s.	5 b
H.K. Telephone	—	—	3 85 s

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Credits, 4 months' sight ... nom.
On Berlin—
On demand ... ... nom.
On New York—
On demand 82½
Credits, 60 days' sight ... 54
On Bombay—
Wire ... ...
On demand 143½
On Calcutta—
Wire ... ...
On demand 143½
On Singapore—
On demand 93
On Manila—
On demand 105
On Shanghai—
On demand ... ... nom.
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On Yokohama—
On demand 109
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Japanese Copper Cash ... 6 ⅝ pm.
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Hongkong Sub. Coin ... par.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, August 19

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Brussels	178½
Geneva	25.16
Amsterdam	12.11⅞
Milan	147½
Berlin	20.41
Stockholm	18.15
Copenhagen	8.28
Oslo	22.15
Vienna	34.42
Prague	164
Helsingfors	193⅝
Madrid	31.59
Lisbon	2 17/32
Rio	7 19/32
Buenos Aires	45 13/32
Bombay	1/6
Shanghai	2/9½
Hongkong	2/1⅛
Yokohama	1/11 31/32
Silver Spot	28 9/16
Forward	28⅛

Mrs. Grundy is dead, and I do not lament her decease.—Archbishop of Canterbury.

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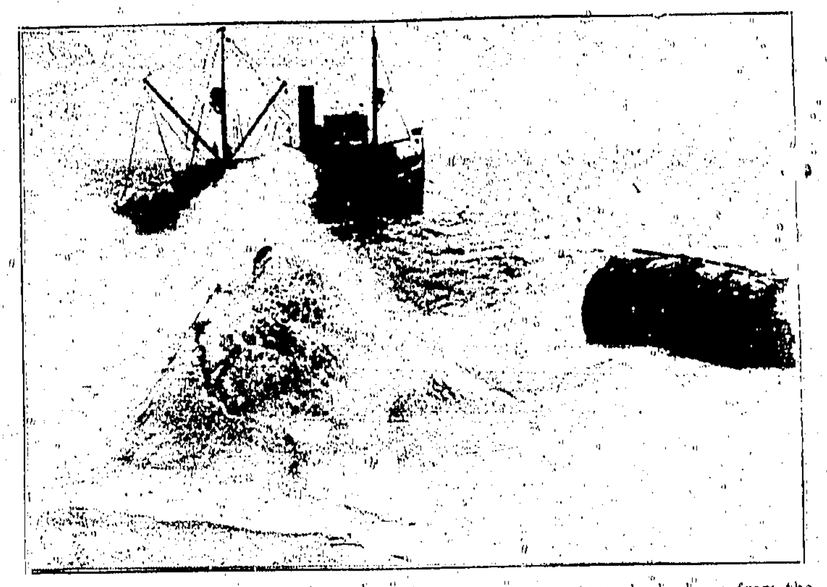


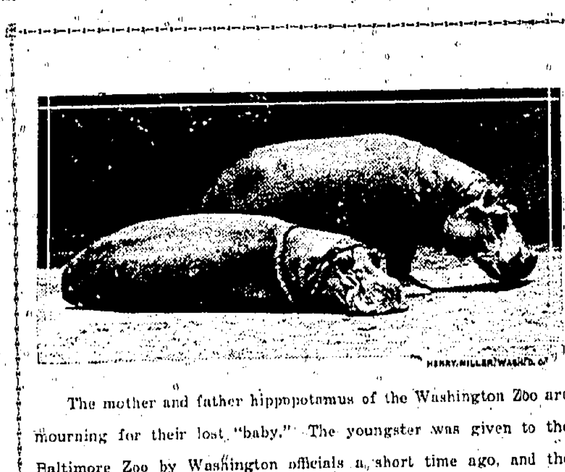
A stream of water was thrown into the air when two pontoons broke loose from the S51 as it was being raised off New London, Connecticut. One pontoon can be seen floating away. The submarine was allowed to sink to the bottom. The craft was first sunk by the steamer City of Rome on September 26.

UNDERWOOD & UNDERWOOD, N. Y.

Europe's royal scientist, Crown Prince Gustavus Adolphus of Sweden, met the great inventor, Mr. Thomas A. Edison. Mr. Edison conducted his visitor through his laboratories and explained his latest invention, a record that plays forty minutes. The visit to the Edison plant was the only trip arranged by the Crown Prince personally.

Agnes Dunn, (above), who left Philip Elliott on their wedding night, offered her husband no sympathy when he was arrested in Montreal on charges of beating Violet Anderson, an actress.

The very boyish "bob" has apparently entered the realm of highest society. This is how Mrs. William H. Vanderbilt appeared on her return from Europe. Incidentally, she denied that she intends to sue for a divorce.



HENRY MILLER, WASH. D. C.

The mother and father hippopotamus of the Washington Zoo are mourning for their lost "baby." The youngster was given to the Baltimore Zoo by Washington officials a short time ago, and the parents are having a hard time becoming reconciled to its absence.

L. B. Hanna (left) opposed Gerald B. Nye (right) for the Republican Senatorial nomination in North Dakota. Hanna, former Governor, is a regular, and Nye, incumbent Senator, an insurgent.

HENRY MILLER, WASH. D. C.

President and Mrs. Coolidge are shown receiving crippled veterans of the War who were their guests at the annual White House garden party given every Summer. Scores of the ex-soldiers, unable to walk, were wheeled past the President and Mrs. Coolidge in chairs, and all received a hand shake and a hopeful word.

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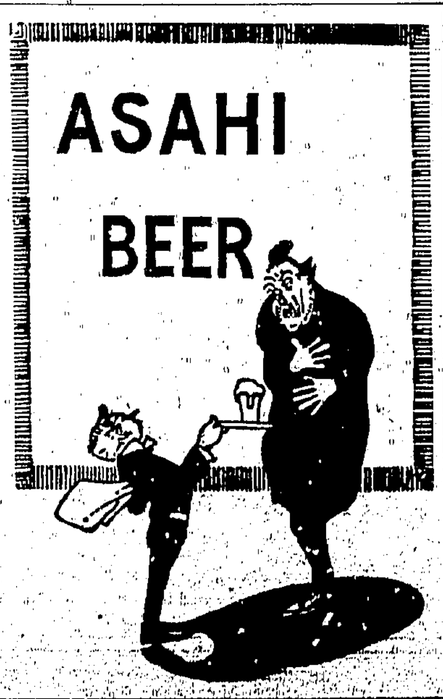

AT THE STAR.

"THE DEADWOOD COACH" TO-DAY.

"The Deadwood Coach," which is to be screened at the World Theatre to-day and to-morrow, is the greatest Western picture in which Tom Mix has ever been starred, according to trade reviews.

Adapted from Clarence Mulford's novel, "The Orphan," there is more action, humour, pathos and romance in the Mix production than the Fox Western star has had the chance of portraying before. Lynn Reynolds directed the picture and also wrote the scenario. One of the best supporting casts Mix has ever had includes the following well-known screen players: Doris May, George Bancroft, DeWitt Jennings, Buster Gardner, Lucien Littlefield, Norma Wills, Nora Cecil, Sid Jordan, Frank Coffyn, Jane Keckley and Ernest Butterworth.

The story of "The Deadwood Coach" concerns "The Orphan," a reckless outlaw who is feared throughout the West, but who, in reality, is the enemy of only one man. As a boy, the outlaw witnessed the murder of his father by the villainous Tex Wilson, and "The Orphan" dedicated his life to revenge. The way he fulfills this vengeance and wins the respect of the community as well as the hand of a girl makes as thrilling a drama as has been shown here recently.

Most of the scenes for "The Deadwood Coach" were taken in Zion Canyon, Utah, one of the most picturesque sports in America. The result is that the thrilling incidents in the picture-fights chases, stage coach hold-ups, all have a beautiful natural background of massive canyons, glaciers and cliffs, which are in themselves worthy of more than ordinary attention.

MEMORIAL TO CAPTAIN SCOTT.

London, July 28.—£34,000 was collected by the Mansion House Fund for a memorial to Capt. Scott, the explorer, which has now closed.

Nearly £36,000 will be devoted to the support of the relatives of those who perished in the Antarctic Expedition, £10,000 for future Polar research, £17,500 for publishing the scientific results of the expedition, and the balance of £5,000 will be repaid to the British Antarctic Committee.

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AGRICULTURE.

EXPERTS TO DISCUSS COMMON PROBLEMS.

ALL-AFRICAN.

Nairobi, July 26.—As the result of the recommendation of the recent Governor's Conference to the effect that there should be meetings of inter-Colonial technical experts to discuss common problems, the first of these is being held in Nairobi in August, namely, an agricultural, cotton, entomological and mycological Conference.

The Conference will embrace almost the whole of Africa and will be attended by 17 delegates representing Kenya, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Uganda, Tanganyika, Nyasaland, Zanzibar, Portuguese Africa, the Italian and Belgian Congo and the Sudan.

A STRANGLER OF WOMEN.

San Bernardino, Calif., August 12.—P. H. Brown who is in custody here on a charge of murdering three women by strangulation, to-day identified a hat found in a rooming house at Santa Barbara near the body of Mrs. Ollie B. Russell as the one he left after beating her to death there. Seattle officers are attempting to link him with the slaying of Sylvania Gaines whose father is now being tried for her murder.

Brown to-day amplified his confession of having murdered three women to include the assault of at least a dozen other women in Pacific coast cities, but he does not remember details in all cases, the questioning by the authorities confusing him. He is seemingly mentally deranged.

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LUNACY LAWS.

PROPOSALS IN ROYAL COMMISSION'S REPORT.

PROTECTION FOR DOCTORS.

London, July 28.—Drastic alterations in the lunacy laws entailing the entire revision of the existing code are proposed in the report of the Royal Commission on Lunacy, just issued.

Increased protection for doctors who sign lunacy certificates and new regulations to make certification the last, instead of the first, resort when a mental patient needs treatment, and the abolition of the words "lunatic asylum" are among the recommendations.

Mental Methods.

The commissioners urge that mental disorder should be considered in the light of an ordinary illness and not stigmatised as at present. They state that medical science has in the past neglected insanity as a subject for intensive research, but they express the belief that more adequate attention is now being paid to the subject.

The Commissioners state that the "keynote of the past has been detention. The keynote of the future should be prevention and treatment."

Other important points are that public health authorities rather than the Poor Law should be the responsible authorities; an Exchequer grant should be given in aid of expenses, and that unless doctors are further protected against actions at law following certification the present system will break down.

Allegations of ill-treatment and neglect of patients are unjustified.

The villa system is suggested, with no house containing more than 1,000 patients.

The reorganisation of the Board of Control is urged and a recommendation is made that every visiting Committee should have two women members.—"Times of Ceylon."

RIOTS AT TEGAL.

Tegal, August 3.—A riot took place near Tegal in which the police were forced to use their firearms. A headman succeeded in persuading five of his family relations not to work for Europeans. Together they forced the labourers of the sugar factories at Pagongan to down tools. The police then interfered. The rioters were repeatedly summoned by the police and field police to disperse but without success. Two salvos were then fired at their legs whilst a third salvo killed four and wounded one of the rioters. Work has been resumed.

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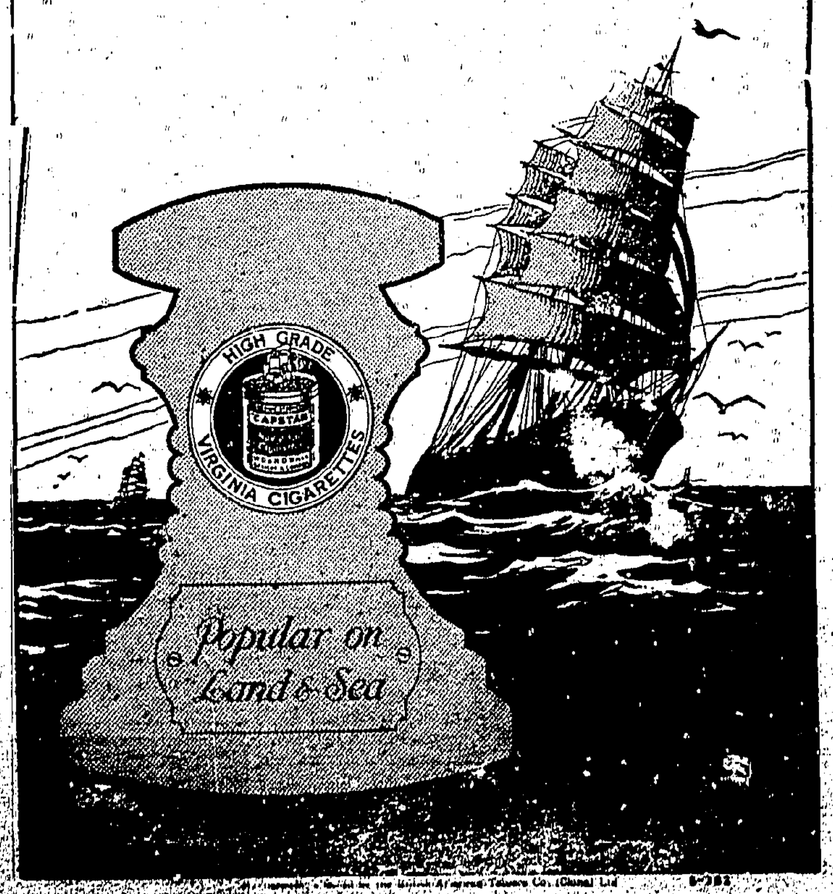

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per
FRIDAY, AUGUST 20.	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Szechuen
SATURDAY, AUGUST 21.	
Straits	Santhia
MONDAY, AUGUST 23.	
Straits	Suisang
U.S.A. Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Jefferson
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, Shanghai & London via Canada (London 24th July,)	Empress of Canada
Straits	Kitano Maru
FRIDAY, AUGUST 27.	
Manila	Pres. Cleveland
SATURDAY, AUGUST 28.	
Japan	Fushimi Maru
MONDAY, AUGUST 30.	
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Polk
TUESDAY, AUGUST 31.	
U.S.A. Honolulu Japan & Shanghai	Shinyo Maru
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2.	
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Pierce
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.	
Australia and Manila	St. Albans

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Times
FRIDAY,	AUGUST 20.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Hamburg Maru	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Chenan	5 p.m.
Manila	West Holbrook	5 p.m.
Amoy	Kutsang	5 p.m.
SATURDAY.	AUGUST 21.	
Java via Batavia	Tjimanoek	10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Tonkin	Noon.
Straits	Pembrokeshire	5 p.m.
Bangkok	Kiangsu	5 p.m.
Haiphong	Ming sang	5 p.m.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	Suiyang	5 p.m.
SUNDAY.	AUGUST 22.	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kaijo Maru	9 a.m.
MONDAY,	AUGUST 23.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, S. E. & Africa, Egypt, & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 19th Sept. Parcels 9 a.m. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Kalyan	
Amoy	Szechuen	5 p.m.
TUESDAY.	AUGUST 24.	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 17th Sept. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Korea Maru	
Shanghai and Japan	Kitano Maru	10 a.m.
Amoy and Foochow	Haiting	11 a.m.
Sandakan	Hinsang	12.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 2nd Sept. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Asphalion	
WEDNESDAY.	AUGUST 25.	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kotsu Maru	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Hopsang	10 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta (Parcels Noon. Letters 1 p.m.)	Yuensang	

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

NEW SENSATION.

SEQUEL TO A DOUBLE MURDER.

WHO ARE REAL CULPRITS?

Somerville, (New Jersey), Aug. 19.

A new sensation has occurred in connection with what is known as the Hall murder by the announcement that Mrs. Hall's brother, Willie Stevens, and her brother-in-law, Henry Carpenter, are held for trial by the Grand Jury on a charge of murder.—Reuter.

STORY OF THE CASE.

Earlier cables on the subject stated:—

Somerville (New Jersey), July 29.

In American society a sensation has been created by the news that Mrs. Edward Hall, the wealthy widow of a rector of the fashionable church of St. John's, New Brunswick, has been arrested on a charge of the murder of her husband and Mrs. Eleanor Mills, a beautiful choir singer, in September, 1922.

The prisoner declares that the charge is ridiculous.

The reopening of the case, in which connection the Grand Jury after an investigation in 1922, took no action, is a sequel to a divorce suit by the husband, in which a former maid employed by Mrs. Hall alleged that his wife deceived him and that she concealed her relations with the dead rector. She declared that the wife received $5,000 for her silence in connection with the murder.

Point Pleasant, N.J., July 31.

On the ground that "there was no great presumption of guilt," bail applied for at Chief Justice Gummeres's summer residence on behalf of Mrs. Edward Hall has been granted in two sureties of $7,500 each.

NOT READY.

PHILIPPINES CLAIM FOR INDEPENDENCE.

PROMISE FORGOTTEN?

Paul Smith's, Aug. 19.

There is no comment on the report from Cebu regarding the United States withdrawing from the Philippines in accordance with President Coolidge's promise.

Inquirers were referred to a letter which President Coolidge wrote last year to Mr. Roxas, Chairman of the Philippine Independence Commission, maintaining that the Philippines are not yet ready for independence.—Reuter.

Message to Filipinos.

Senator Osmena, on his way to Manila, cabled from Hongkong:—

"Our aspiration to be an independent nation has the sincere sympathy of the American people. They believe the promise has been made and it ought to be fulfilled.

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"Please convey to our people my heartfelt greetings."

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EXPRESS GOES OVER AN EMBANKMENT.

COACHES TELESCOPED.

Berlin, August 19.

Seven persons were killed and 14 injured through the derailing of the Berlin-Cologne-Flushing express near Lehrte.

The dead include a Briton.

The train was travelling at the rate of 80 kilometres an hour at two o'clock in the morning, when the engine jumped the rails and crashed down an embankment.

Two of the coaches were telescoped.

Rescue work was most difficult in the darkness.

It is suspected that some unknown persons must have tampered with the points.—Reuter.

Nineteen Dead.

Berlin, August 19.

Nineteen persons were killed in the train disaster.—Reuter.

BALKAN PACT.

YUGO-SLAVIA AND GREECE.

BRITAIN PLEASED.

Rugby, August 19.

In a leading article on conciliation in the Balkans the "Morning Post" welcomes the Conventions concluded between Greece and Yugo-Slavia, and expresses the belief that all cause of difference between the two countries will have been removed.

Politically, Greece gains the friendship of her powerful neighbour, whilst Yugo-Slavia is rid of difficulties hitherto attaching to her use of the little stretch of railway running from Chevgeli, on the southern frontier of Servia, to Salonica, and gains an extension at that port of the free zone for her goods.

To Great Britain, which is a friend of both parties, and the foundation of whose national policy is the maintenance of peace in Europe, the attainment of a settlement of questions that have long been the subject of bitter controversy, is necessarily gratifying.

Referring to the joint Note sent to Bulgaria by Greece, Roumania, and Yugo-Slavia, with the object of achieving a peaceful settlement of the recent Macedonian trouble, the "Morning Post" expresses the hope that the wise use of the Bulgarian Refugees Loan, which is guaranteed by the League of Nations for the relief of refugees, may serve to deprive the insurgent bodies of their pretext for stirring up strife.—British Wireless Service.

FOREST FIRE.

600 MEN FIGHTING THE FLAMES.

GOOD PROGRESS.

San Francisco, August 19.

Six hundred men are making encouraging progress in fighting the forest fire in the Sequoia National Forest. The flames jumped over the Kaweah River and burned the edge of the Muir Redwood Grove, of which most, however, was saved.—Reuter.

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PROBABLE REACTION IN EUROPE.

AMERICA ANXIOUS.

Washington, Aug. 19.

Any reaction in Europe as the result of Mr. Kellogg's speech at Plattsburgh on the Preliminary Arms Conference at Geneva will be watched with considerable interest here.

The speech was prepared after consultation with the members of the American delegation, who have returned from Geneva.

The final form was probably approved by President Coolidge.

Its significance is further emphasised by the fact that the speech was fully cabled to the American diplomats in the major capitals.—Reuter.

AIR PERILS.

AN AMERICAN TOURIST KILLED.

Boston, August 19.

Mr. Robert Blaney, who was killed in the cross-Channel aeroplane disaster in England, is the son of Mr. Dwight Blaney, the well-known American colour artist. Robert was touring Europe after graduating at Harvard.—Reuter.

Pilot Succumbs.

London, Aug. 19.

The pilot of the air liner has died.—Reuter.

British Sympathy.

Rugby, August 19.

De Lisle, the pilot of the French Cross-channel aeroplane which crashed near Romney Marshes yesterday, died to-day.

The two passengers killed were Hugo Rizzi, Manager of the Ambassadors' Club, and Robert Blaney, son of the well-known American artist.

Sir Robert Hoare, Air Minister, has sent a cablegram to the French Air Union expressing his profound sympathy with the relatives of those killed and with the injured.—British Wireless Service.

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THE Circular Road round the New Territories will be opened to traffic on SATURDAY, the 21st August. Caution should be exercised on the Coastal Road as several portions of which are still under repair.

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